

TROOPS TO SUPPORT POLICE IN CASE OF CIVIL DISOBEDIENCE

ARMED ROBBERY CASE RELATED

The story of an armed robbery at a Diamond Hill store on March 24, in which a large quantity of cigarettes and some money were taken and two persons wounded, was related before Mr. Justice Williams, Police Judge, at the Criminal Sessions yesterday.

Accused are Law Choi alias Law Keut-chai, Wong Yuk-fai, and Ho Kwan-cheung, the first two of whom are charged with the robbery. The third man is standing trial on two counts of wounding with intent to do grievous bodily harm to the shop proprietor and his wife.

Mr. A. Houston, Crown Counsel, is conducting the prosecution assisted by Detective Inspector D. Taylor. None of the accused is legally represented. They are being tried before a jury of six men and one woman.

Another man, Chung Yee, who was charged together with Law and Wong with a robbery, was discharged by the Court yesterday when it was found that he had no case to answer.

According to the prosecution, a group of men entered the Diamond Hill Store at 9.30 p.m. on March 24, when the proprietor was about to close his shop for the night, and herded him and his brother into the kitchen.

The men then helped themselves to a large amount of cigarettes in the shop as well as \$100. They also took two gold finger rings belonging to the proprietor's wife.

The proprietor, who was in the kitchen, then tried to get out but he and his wife were shot, he in the hand, and his wife in the arm.

All the accused were eventually arrested. Corroborative evidence was given by the victims, after which hearing was adjourned until 10 a.m. today.

Importing Gold Without Licence

A total amount of 51,42 taels of gold valued at \$13,595 belonging to five persons was ordered at Central yesterday to be confiscated. All defendants were convicted for importing gold without a permit.

Defendants were on the ss. Wing Sang which arrived from Shanghai on May 21. Chiu Ngai-luk, and Ko Sheung Cheng, two Peking women, were absent from court and their bail of \$10 each was forfeited.

Wong Sui Hung, third defendant, was found with three pieces of gold concealed in her skirt, and Yan Kong-chung, fourth defendant, concealed his tael of gold in a tin of cream. Both were cautioned in addition to having the gold confiscated.

The biggest haul was from Kam Chai-yung, a teacher from Peking. Revenue officers extracted 17,02 taels of gold valued at \$8,779 from the sole of his rubber slippers.

Soldier's Tael Of Gold

A wounded Chinese soldier who claimed that he was taking his family to Canton from Foochow via the Colony, had a tael of gold ordered to be confiscated by Mr. J. Wicks at Kowloon yesterday.

Chuen Chih-shaw, aged 27, was arrested at the Kowloon Railway Station on Saturday for exporting gold from the Colony without a permit.

Revenue Inspector A. Fowler said that when defendant was arrested, he possessed no Hong Kong currency. He paid \$10 bail after he had sold a silver dollar.

WEDDING

The wedding of Carl John Bodine, son of 40 Gloucester Road, second floor, and Miss Marie Lee, waitress, of 23 Jordan Road, top floor, took place yesterday at the Supreme Court Marriage Registrar's Office. T. K. Salazar and Miss Mary Lee were the witnesses.

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Plans have been prepared for the use, if necessary, of troops in support of the police forces in case of civil disturbance in Hong Kong or the New Territories, a spokesman of the Hong Kong Defence Secretariat said officially yesterday.

The spokesman declined to comment on an internal threat to the colony, if any exists, nor to make any comparison with the situation in Malaya.

In an effort to clarify the differences of opinion about the local situation, expressed locally and abroad, the spokesman had been asked a week ago by Reuter for the Government's analysis of the threat to the colony, if one exists!

At the same time, the spokesman was asked if it were true that additional military units are shortly to be sent to the New Territories and that operational patrols in the border area are about to be started. He replied: "Some changes in the present distribution of troops are being made in order to fit in reinforcements. These moves are largely administrative, organized to cause the minimum dislocation of the civil authorities and the civilian population as a whole."

"As regards the question about patrols, the answer is no, although the Army is always prepared and ready to support the police at short notice should it be necessary."

The spokesman said that no official decision has yet been made about the construction of a new airstrip at Kam Tin, in the New Territories. The matter is still under consideration.

The strength of the Air Force in the colony is one fighter squadron of Spitfires, one general reconnaissance squadron of Sunderlands flying boats and one air observation post flight of Auster planes.

Some of these aircraft, he said, are suitable in their reconnaissance role for support of the police and ground forces operating in conditions of internal disturbance. They will be used for this if the necessity arises.

Defence Force. The spokesman was asked whether or not it is true, as had been said, that there are 300,000 Communists in the colony and whether some schools are controlled by Communist influences.

He replied officially: "It is known that there are considerable numbers of people here, as elsewhere, who are, to a greater or lesser extent in sympathy with Communist doctrines. Their number is not known. Some schools are known to be under Communist influence. This Government takes all possible steps to prevent the indoctrination of students here with this, or any other, political dogma."

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Reminders

Today

HK Reform Club public meeting, Roof Garden, HK Hotel, 5.30 p.m.
Bridge Drive, European YMCA, 8 p.m.
HK Rotary Club luncheon, Talk on "Win Over Hawaii" by Mr. J. O'Donnell, Roof Garden, HK Hotel, 12.30 p.m.
Kowloon Union Church Women's Guild meeting, 10 a.m.
Urban Council meeting, GPO Building, 4.15 p.m.
HK Light Orchestra rehearsal, St. John's Cathedral hall, 5.30 p.m.

Coming Events

TOMORROW
Meeting of 1st Kowloon (St. Andrew's) Boy Scouts, Church hall, 5 p.m.
Toe H. Club Meeting, Talbot House, 80, Macdonnell Road, 8.30 p.m.
Special Cinema Performance, by Library Society, St. Andrew's Church Hall, 8 p.m.
Kowloon Residents' Association, annual general meeting, 10.30 a.m.
THURSDAY
RAF Association luncheon, Jacobson Room, HK Hotel, 12.45 p.m.
Y's Men's Club of Hong Kong, luncheon at Roof Garden, HK Hotel, 12.30 p.m.
Union Church Ladies Guild meeting, Helene May Institute, 3 p.m.

FRIDAY
Women's Home-nursing demonstrations, European YMCA, 10.30 a.m.
SATURDAY
Beach Picnic, European YMCA, 2.30 p.m. (to Silverstrand Beach).
Lawn Bowls, league matches, at all clubs.

SUNDAY
Toe H. Classical concert, 60, Macdonnell Road, Talbot House, 8.30 p.m.
Talk on "A Serviceman Abroad" by Mr. P. Addison, European YMCA, 8.45 p.m.
Beach Picnic, European YMCA, to Silverstrand Beach, 2.30 p.m.
Opening of HK Gun Club, at Kwai Chung, 7-mile Castle Peak Road, 3 p.m.

Boy Cautioned For Trespassing

A boy aged 15 was cautioned and discharged by Mr. Blair Kerr at Kowloon yesterday on a charge of trespassing at the Mongkok Police Station on Sunday.

Sub-Inspector Waldron said that defendant was found inside a room in the station and was arrested.

SI Waldron said that Mr. Halg Brown has asked the press to give publicity to this case as there was a notice posted inside the police station stating that no person should pass beyond the particular barrier and that disregard of the warning might lead to prosecution.

Passes are issued for the purpose of passing beyond these barriers inside the police station and the Police authorities intend to see that persons do not enter Police Stations beyond these barriers unless with a pass.

Continuing SI Waldron said that there is a system of passes in force for persons who wish to visit the station. Guards have strict orders not to prevent or delay persons from making a proper report.

SI Waldron said that there is only one entrance to the Mongkok Police Station through which the defendant should have gone. Defendant reads Chinese. He saw the notice and had admitted to Mr. Halg Brown that he just thought it was alright to go through.

The police are not pressing in this case but in future cases they would press for a severe penalty. In administering a caution on defendant, Mr. Blair Kerr said that it must be realized that it is an offence punishable by a fine of \$300 or three months imprisonment to trespass on a police station or other Government Office. In other words the public may visit the charge room of a station on legitimate business, but unless people have a pass they cannot visit other parts of the station, living quarters or otherwise.

Fined \$500 In Traffic Case

A woman driver of a private car was fined \$500 by Mr. Blair Kerr at Kowloon yesterday on three counts of violating traffic regulations.

Defendant, Chen Kar-ye aged 22, was charged with careless driving, driving a vehicle with inefficient brakes and with tyres not in serviceable condition.

The prosecution story was that defendant was driving car No. 751 with five persons aboard on May 14. She drove along Clear Water Bay Road to Kai Tak. Coming down a slope the car went out of control as the brake was not working. The car collided with another car coming from the opposite direction.

As a result of the collision the passengers in both cars were slightly injured.

Conspiracy To Rob

Wong Po alias Leung So and Chow Kau who were charged with possessing a Smith and Wesson six-chambered revolver loaded with six bullets and an automatic pistol of FNH Pistol Model KAL, loaded with eight bullets, were additionally charged yesterday with committing conspiracy to rob.

Hui Kiu, aged 27, was also charged at Kowloon with conspiracy to rob.

The prosecution alleged that on May 18 and during the period between May 17 and May 18, all three defendants had conspired together to commit an armed robbery.

Chow Kau was represented by Mr. J. C. Stewart and the prosecution was conducted by DSI Hadden.

The case was adjourned to tomorrow.

Drunk And Disorderly

Bail of \$50 was ordered to be returned by Mr. J. Wicks when Joseph A. Gutierrez, aged 53, of 288 Prince Edward Road, top floor, charged with disorderly conduct, failed to appear in court yesterday.

Defendant was alleged to have been drunk on Sunday, and while riding on a ferry to have assaulted and uttered insulting and abusive language to a man and a woman.

It was also alleged that defendant pointed to the man and woman, accusing them of causing trouble in China and killing many Chinese.

When defendant was being taken to the police station, he again attempted to attack the woman, it was stated.

A medical chat from the Kowloon Hospital stated that defendant was under the influence of liquor.

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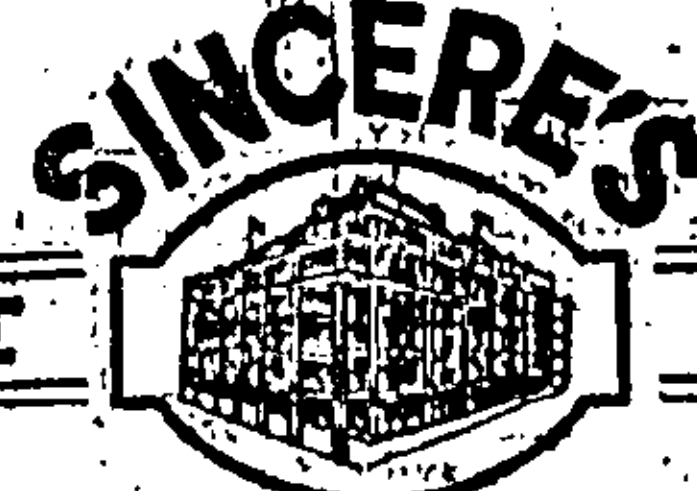
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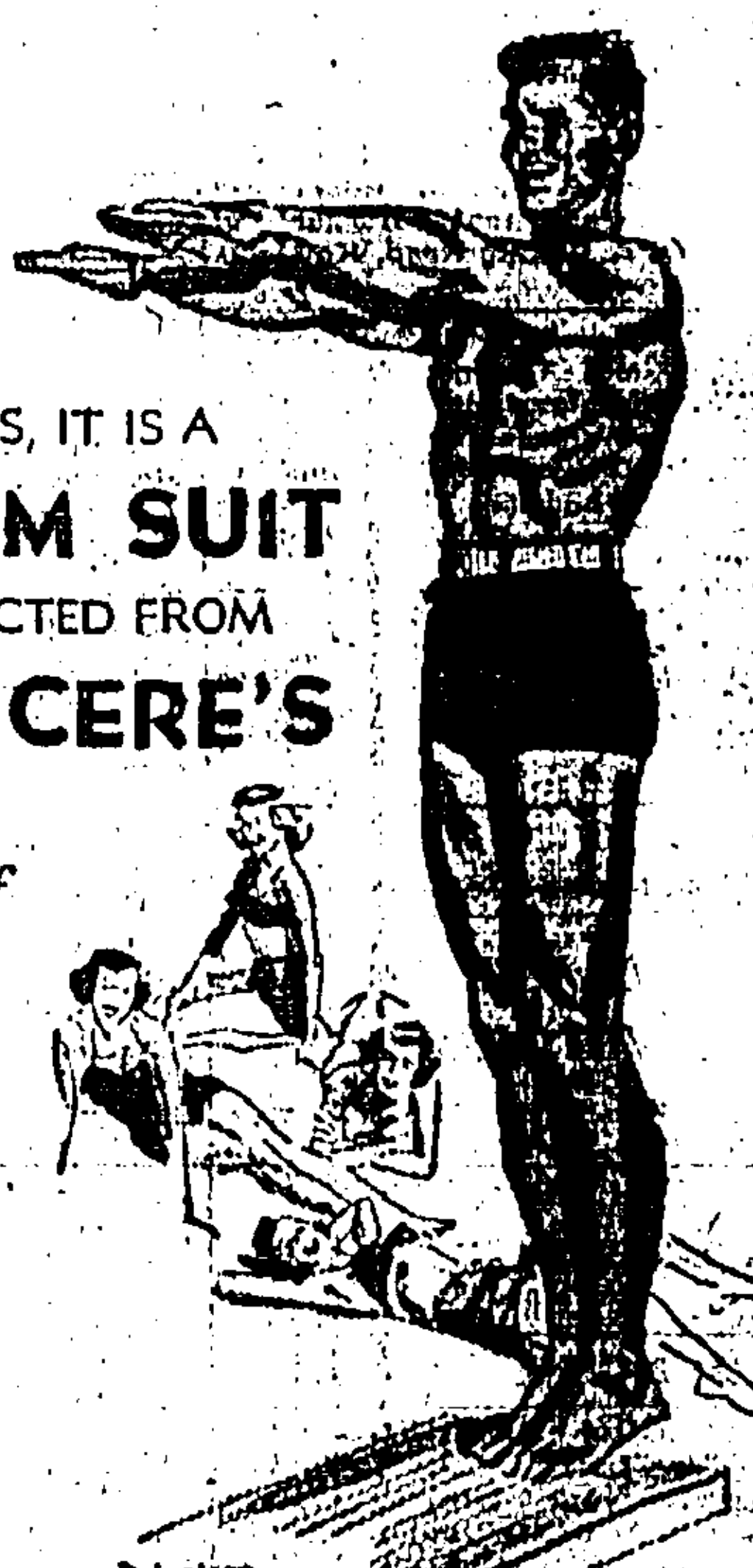
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The Share Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from 30th May to 9th June, 1949, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board
H. G. W. WOODHEAD,
Secretary
Hong Kong, May 20, 1949.

NOTICE
IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONG KONG
PROBATE JURISDICTION

IN THE GOODS OF DUNCAN McCALLUM late of No. 24 Village Road, 2nd floor, Happy Valley in the Colony of Hong Kong, Solicitor, deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Court has by virtue of Section 58 of the Probates Ordinance 1897 made an Order limiting the time for creditors and others to send their claims against the above estate to the 10th day of June 1949.

All creditors and others are hereby requested to send in their claims to the undersigned on or before that date.

Dated the 21st day of May, 1949.

CHRISTOPHER PAUL D'ALMADA e CASTRO,
Official Administrator,
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D.C.I.
Hong Kong, May 20, 1949.

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It is notified that all claims against the estate of the deceased Police Officer Inspector Ralph Fairburn Craik Olivier should be submitted to the Commissioner of Police, Administrator of the said estate, not later than 8th June, 1949.

COMMISSIONER OF POLICE
May 25, 1949.

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May 25, 1949.

NOTICE
DIOCESAN SCHOOL OLD BOYS ASSOCIATION
UNVEILING AND DEDICATION OF WAR MEMORIAL

All members of the Association and Old Boys and their families are earnestly requested to attend the above ceremony at the School on Saturday, 28th May, 1949 at 4.00 p.m. Tea at 4.30 p.m.

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LAUREL TO FIGHT QUIRINO

Manila, May 22.
The Nacionalista (Opposition) Party Convention this evening selected Dr. Jose P. Laurel, President of Japanese-occupied Philippines during the war, and Associate Justice Manuel C. Briones as the Party's candidates for President and Vice-President respectively in the November national elections.

Dr. Laurel's closest opponent in the Convention race was Dr. Camilo Osias, Senator from La Union and who was Minister of Public Instruction in Dr. Laurel's Japanese-sponsored Cabinet.

More than 400 delegates attended the Convention at the San Lazaro Racing Club.

One more political convention will be held early in June, this time by the pro-Quirino split Liberal (majority) Party.

This is expected to endorse President Quirino as presidential candidate of the group in the forthcoming elections.

The pro-Jose Avelino group of the Party held their convention last week and selected Avelino as their candidate for the highest post within the gift of the Filipino people.

This means that the November elections will be a three-cornered presidential fight instead of the hitherto traditional two-cornered affair.

More presidential aspirants are expected to enter the list, in which case it will be an all-round political melee.—Reuter.

Mountbatten Fortune Dispute

London, May 22.
Some opposition is expected in the House of Commons to the Parliamentary bill to give Countess Mountbatten, wife of India's last Viceroy, greater personal control of her estate.

The bill will probably reach the House within the next fortnight. It is now before what is known as an "Unopposed Committee" of the House of Lords, and will, if passed, enable Lady Mountbatten to use as income the capital of £1,400,000 bequeathed to her by her grandfather, Sir Ernest Cassel, which at present she may not use.

Lady Mountbatten had indicated that increased taxation has cut her and her husband's combined income to a ninth of what it was before the war.

The possibility of some Socialist opposition in the Commons has already been indicated. A group of Conservative members is also contemplating an amendment.

Those Conservatives feel that if a bill of this kind is passed it should embrace all people affected by conditions such as have prompted the introduction of the Mountbatten Bill.—Reuter.

U.S. TO FILM IN MEXICO

Mexico City, May 23.
An independent US film company may make six pictures in Mexico in order to save money.

Greg Bautzer, representing Fidelity Films, is negotiating with the Churubusco Films here for use of their studios.

The six pictures will all be the "outdoor type," Bautzer said. Two of the pictures will be made in Spanish as well as English for South American distribution.—Associated Press.

CARNIVAL

By Dick Turner



"Now I remember! You were here last August taking a presidential poll!"

BARCLAY ON BRIDGE
By Shepard Barclay
"The Authority on Authorities"

NO SCORE IMPOSSIBLE

VETERAN players of duplicate have learned to avoid saying "That score is impossible" when they see a result on the traveling score slip which appears highly unlikely. They are prompted to have the tournament director investigate the facts, not only for the purpose of having a correction made if there had been a mistake, but to find out just how the queer result was obtained. It even happens sometimes, if there is a crazy psychic bidder in the contest, that a game is made by North or South at one table and another game in the identical by same contract by East or West at another table.

S 10
H J 8 5
D J 10 9 5 3 2
C Q 5 3

S Q J 7 6
H 10 7 6 3
D 6
C 9 2

(Dealer: West. Neither side vulnerable.)

	West	North	East	South
1. Pass	Pass	1 C	1 H	Pass
2. Pass	Pass	2 NT	Pass	Pass
3. S	Pass	3 NT	Pass	Pass
4. Pass	Pass	1 C	1 H	Pass
5. Pass	1 NT	Dbl	2 D	Pass
6. Pass	2 NT	Pass	3 NT	Pass

It is easy to censure West at each table for keeping his mouth

shut and not mentioning his

spades early, but let's forget what didn't happen and look at what did. Where East was the 3-No Trumps declarer at Table 1, South decided his partner might have something in spades, so led his 9. East then rattled off six tricks in each black suit to make an unbid small slam.

When he then saw the traveling score crediting North with an extra trick at a No Trump game, he called the tournament director to report an impossible mistake. But it was no scoring mistake at all. North bid his 1-No Trumps to shut out spade bids, being ready to escape into diamonds if doubled. Against him East scored the club K and A, then led the J to the Q. To that trick, North added six in diamonds, the heart Q finesse, the heart A dropping the K, and then the J for extra trick.

S J 8 5
H Q 10 9 3 2
D 7 4 3
C None

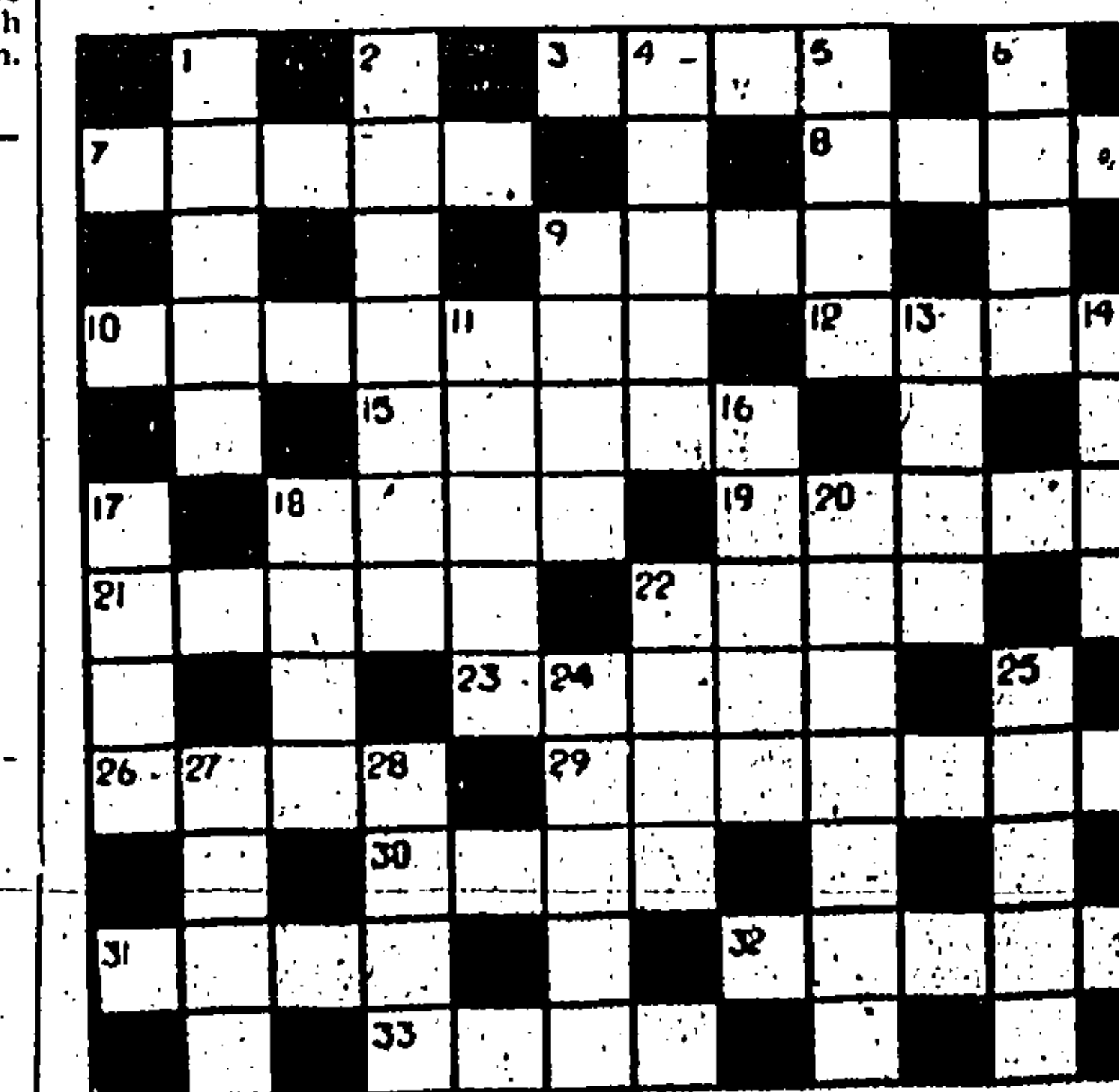
S A 7 4
H K J
D K 10 8
C 9 8 5

(Dealer: South. East-West vulnerable.)

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It is South bids 1-Spade, West doubled and North 4-Spades what keen defence will beat the contract?

A BRITISH CROSSWORD PUZZLE



Across

3 Multitude. 22 Simmer. 7 Scat. 23 Hinder. 8 Hastened. 26 Excavates. 9 Ancestor. 20 Keep for. 10 Famous. 30 future use. 12 Wish for. 30 Detail. 15 Accumulate. 31 Mass of ice. 18 Pace. 32 Compel. 19 Stadium. 33 Observe. 21 Material.

Down

1 Dowdy per-son. 10 Gluts. 2 Flow from. 17 Pleased. 4 Leaves out. 18 Comfortable. 5 Muscle. 20 Church. 6 Spare. 23 Check. 9 Break off. 24 Bull. 11 Revise. 25 Out. 13 Refresh. 27 Nollon. 14 Melt. 28 Token.

Yesterday's Crossword

ACROSS—1 Tragic, 7 Roel, 9 Lodge, 10 Leave, 11 Caps, 13 Exonerated, 15 Leer, 16 Onrs, 19 Attempting, 22 Evil, 24 Oiler, 25 Alot, 26 Lien, 27 Treaty.

DOWN—

2 Rodeo, 3 Glebe, 4 Cellar, 5 Bracelet, 6 Keep, 8 Evade, 12 Scrag, 13 Elope, 14 Nestling, 17 False, 18 Secret, 20 Fence, 21 Intel, 23 Void.

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INSEIN'S FALL TO GOVERNMENT FORCE

Rangoon, May 22.

The town of Insein, 10 miles North of Rangoon, fell to Burmese Government troops at noon today after having been held by Karen insurgents for 16 weeks.

The Burmese forces entered Insein after the entire Karen garrison had got away to the North. Saw Ba U Gyi, Karen President, who is known to have been in Insein, escaped.

Captain David Vivian, a former British Army officer, reported to have been fighting on the Karen side, is also said to have left before the Burmese forces entered.

Captain Vivian was released from Insein Gaol, where he had been serving a five-year prison term for alleged violation of the Army Act, by the Karen insurgents when they took Insein on January 31 last. In all, they set free 1,002 prisoners.

The Karens left behind 200 wounded and sick and 300 Karen non-combatants as well as quantities of arms and ammunition. Civilians run up white flags over the houses as the Karens moved out.

After the Karens captured Insein about 10,000 people, including 5,000 Indians, out of a total population of about 20,000, were evacuated to Rangoon during temporary cease-fire periods. They included 45 British nationals.

Maung Than, a Burmese press reporter, captured by the Karens in February and reported to have been killed, reached Rangoon tonight. He said that he had escaped from Karen custody in the confusion before their flight.

More Successes

The Insein Central Gaol, said here to be the third largest in the world, was found intact with about 600 prisoners.

Tonight's Burmese Government communique reported further successes. Government troops are closing in on Daku, Karen stronghold 78 miles North of Rangoon, taking in their stride

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MARCH SCOTT

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PART I: "THE PRIMATE OF HUNGARY"

THE MINDSZENTY STORY

Appeal To The Clergy

BY THE VERY REV.
DR. NICHOLAS BOER

...the Western democratic states. We claim this support respectfully for all branches of our ecclesiastical tasks. And if, according to the welcome and active statement of the Government that the Hungarian clergy have the most important responsibility for the spiritual care of the Hungarian population, the Government facilitates the task it will ease its own difficult task through the earnest and consequent support of the Church.

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...his vote for any party or candidate who follows doctrines irreconcilable with Catholic doctrine, even though on certain questions the party or the individual have arrived at the truth, if their fundamental conception of human society differs from Christian truth. Such parties and politicians who profess social theories differing from the Christian teachings cannot be supported; for even the milder forms of these theories diverge widely from the commands of the Gospels.

Clear Directive

The first and, even more, the second pastoral letter devoted to the elections, together with the interpretation attached to it, provided the Catholic community of Hungary with a clear directive as to its duty. Already before the elections of 1946, but even more, previous to the elections of 1947, the Marxist parties proved by their activities, their propaganda and their governmental decrees that they did not fulfil such conditions as might gain for them the vote of any conscientious Catholic voter. Already before the first elections it became evident that what the Marxist parties meant by religious freedom was only the freedom of religious cult, and not the public manifestations of religious liberty, the social, charitable and cultural activities of the Church. Before the second elections the list of the Church's grievances in the matter of the limitations of natural rights, the rights of human freedom and the liberty of the Church had already become a very long one, running to several pages. The dissolution of Church associations, the confiscation of Church property, the renewed violent attacks on Catholic schools and compulsory religious instruction, the arrests of priests, the absence of diplomatic relations with the Holy See, the refusal to licence a Catholic daily paper or a Catholic political party, the introduction of the political system of a police state and a one-sided line of foreign policy, which carried with it the sacrifice of Hungarian independence, were only the main points. At the 1947 elections the vast majority of Catholic voters had cast their votes for the Smallholders' Party. Now, disillusioned, they turned away from this party; for, even if only by reason of internal pressure and foreign influence, this party had become the loyal servant and executive of the ideology of the Marxist state. Even more than that, in Church questions and especially in the problem of facultative religious instruction, the Smallholders were the foremost champions of totalitarian thinking. The Freedom Party, led by Dezo Sulyok, dissolved itself on the eve of the second elections thereby excluding itself from the ranks of political factors. This self-annihilation is understandable; the new anti-democratic electoral law, the abuses which were to be expected at the elections, and the enforced dissolution of the so-called Pfeiffer Party, afforded little hope for the still resisting dictatorship, but it proved at the same time that a Marxist dictatorship did in fact exist.

Wide Publicity

"I beg you to take notice of all this and to communicate it to those interested. In view of the wide publicity given to the Government's appeal, I beg you at the same time to ensure for our reply, in its entirety, the same publicity. For we have only two weekly papers and pastoral letters at our disposal for such purposes."

We have already tried to indicate that this argument, started by the pastoral letter of the bishops, issued on October 18, which caused such violent reactions in the Government and the Press, contained the seeds of the growing tension between Church and State, leading to the final clash in a dramatic battle. The Coalition Parties called it "an unexampled and unwarranted interference with topical politics and the progress of the elections." Yet in this question the attitude of the Church has been equally clear and correct; she has remained above the fray, and has pointed out the heights of a morality which has considered only the interest of the nation. The pastoral letter declared unequivocally: "We do not interfere in the electoral contest, we take no stand on the side of any party, but we must express the principles of truth and justice." Of the faith of the pastoral letter demanded: "Give your votes to the candidate who champions moral purity, law, truth and order, and is able to fight against the abuses of the present and future." This requirement naturally could not be the privilege of any one party, and therefore the Church could not come out for any party. In any case, they were all united in a Coalition. The same clear and unequivocal attitude characterized the views of the Church before the elections of August 30, 1947. The Hungarian bishops issued the following declaration on July 26, 1947:

Spirit Of Gratitude

"Beyond this negative attitude the Government appeal asks us to create a spirit of gratitude and peaceful co-existence in the people; we are expected to be content with the present state of affairs; we are expected to be capable of this achievement. But can this be expected of us, can we do this, when we are subjected successively to the most serious injuries? Our documents, setting forth our grievances in detail, are in the hands of the Prime Minister; they have been presented to the Government. The whole series of these injuries is generally known. We have agreed in the past about the manner and method of representation; nevertheless, the diplomatic relations have yet been established with the Holy See. There have been attacks against our schools and educational institutions, based on direct allegations, which have often been proved only to a negligible extent. No steps have been taken to correct the mis-statements in the Press; in some cases such requests have been refused. We have had to be content with the satisfaction afforded us by the most competent persons—the parents—as to the reliability of our schools. Their massive, impressive demonstration in our favour is a great consolation to us. In connection with a completely obscure crime, came the turn of our associations; it was mysteriously connected with our societies without the slightest foundation in fact. Though I am all too well acquainted with the conduct of the Prime Minister, I have been unable to examine the dossier; public opinion is also uneasy because of this befogged affair. We must mention also the refusal of permission for our processions—which are part of our sacramental, religious activity—which have in some cases been directly forbidden, and priests have been arrested and their cases left open. We still lack a Catholic daily Press and a Catholic party. I do not want to deal with the frequent attacks by the different newspapers, among them the daily

Vague Accusation

"Our surprise is also great because of the public and vaguely general accusation and almost irresponsible statement. We acknowledge with gratitude the reassuring declarations of the appeal according to which 'Democracy is no enemy of the Church and has no intention of becoming one in the future.' The Church of the State, even though these assurances are qualified by the statement that such support shall be forthcoming, according to the measure of our support of the democratic State, we rejoice to hear that the rights of the Church. We approve the statement that 'the democratic republicanism state and the Church must fight shoulder to shoulder for the healthy evolution of the nation.' Such co-operation is the warmest desire of the Hungarian bishops and their Primate; it is the desire of the whole Catholic community of Hungary. We shall be happy if it is realised and we regret that there have been certain deficiencies in this respect. We were, and are, always ready to remedy these; it was not our fault nor would it be ours in the future should our endeavour not prove entirely successful. We have acknowledged the democratic state principle; it is only a logical consequence of this that we should be in all sincerity prepared to co-operate—of course, at the same time safeguarding the rights of the Church and we have repeatedly offered our unqualified good will."

"The Government's appeal contains a certain reassurance about our reservations regarding these rights of the Holy Church which we have mentioned above and which are quite natural. It declares that it wishes to guarantee the rights of the Church for the future. But the promise of support, mentioned in the same passage, in the 'religious task of the Church' can only be satisfactory if the appeal, that is to say the Government, intends its validity to refer to all the God-given rights and duties of the Church, as is the principle of the dangers of a largely unrestricted entrapment such as ours, and the last thing we would recommend is throttling government controls. We do feel, however, that the authorities might be more adept in scotching rumours, and might at this time make urgent representations via London to the International Monetary Fund with a view to the removal of all bans on the possession, buying and selling of gold.

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TRADE PROSPECTS

Apart from the merchants, Hong Kong's citizens have in recent weeks been more concerned with the vague, rumoured threats to our security than with a more immediate problem—the future of the commerce which is our *raison d'être*. This naturally has been the constant preoccupation of our traders, some of whom are now gloomily weighing the current minor slump against our chances if and when the Communists dominate the whole of China.

In order to gauge the general feeling among responsible businessmen, the "China Mail" conducted a survey, the results of which were printed yesterday. Opinion on the whole was decidedly optimistic. The present recession of trade, they said, was due mainly to accumulated stocks and the absence of outlets. There has been, however, a revival of trade with Communist territories in North China, and the need for commerce with the outside world will increase as the Reds occupy more of the coastal cities and conditions become stable.

Not only will the new China require tremendous quantities of goods to rebuild its shattered economy, but from a longer term point of view the belief is that the poorer classes may have their lot improved, and will thus become heavier consumers of goods which Hong Kong can supply. Also, the mainland needs markets for its own products, and no better place than this entrepot exists, with merchants willing to work on a barter basis in the probable event of a shortage of acceptable currency.

It is true that the Communists have not yet formulated any fixed policy for foreign trade, which is at present severely restricted, but with the war's end, this may be expected to ease, although perhaps operating on a state-controlled basis. Worth considering is the Red attitude to the British and Hong Kong, as judged by their radio and vernacular newspapers. While America is hated for its assistance to the Kuomintang, there seems little feeling against us, if one can believe the publicists, largely because of our consistent policy of neutrality in the civil war and China's internal affairs generally.

The pudding has still to be proved; but there is an impressive number of foreigners with a lifetime's experience on the Coast who cannot believe that Communism in China will be at all similar to the Moscow model, and although Mao and company may be radical reformers, it would take centuries to destroy the ideas of individualism and family loyalty so ingrained in the race. This, however, remains to be seen.

In Hong Kong at the moment we are faced with a serious depreciation of our currency in terms of the American dollar, which on the free market costs more than twice the official rate. This is mostly due to persistent rumours of government devaluation and the ban on gold trading, and while speculators may make fortunes out of this, its effect on our economy may be extremely adverse. This is one

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"Our surprise was caused primarily by the manner of the appeal. Hitherto the Hungarian Government have respected the constitution of the Holy Mother Church, and have always addressed their requests regarding the behaviour and activities of the clergy through the legal head of the Church. The miserable totalitarian regime of Sziasl, it is true, has attempted to create direct contacts with the clergy; but my predecessor of blessed memory, not only protested against this but instructed the clergy not to give any reply to the order to report directly to the Government authorities. In any case, this was illegal. If the present Government had chosen the customary, regular channels, and if in the course of the necessary negotiations listened to the Primate's reasonable guidance and advice, the Government's instructions would have been much lighter among the clergy because of the legal authority of the Primate behind them.

Vague Accusation

"Our surprise is also great because of the public and vaguely general accusation and almost irresponsible statement. We acknowledge with gratitude the reassuring declarations of the appeal according to which 'Democracy is no enemy of the Church and has no intention of becoming one in the future.' The Church of the State, even though these assurances are qualified by the statement that such support shall be forthcoming, according to the measure of our support of the democratic State, we rejoice to hear that the rights of the Church. We approve the statement that 'the democratic republicanism state and the Church must fight shoulder to shoulder for the healthy evolution of the nation.' Such co-operation is the warmest desire of the Hungarian bishops and their Primate; it is the desire of the whole Catholic community of Hungary. We shall be happy if it is realised and we regret that there have been certain deficiencies in this respect. We were, and are, always ready to remedy these; it was not our fault nor would it be ours in the future should our endeavour not prove entirely successful. We have acknowledged the democratic state principle; it is only a logical consequence of this that we should be in all sincerity prepared to co-operate—of course, at the same time safeguarding the rights of the Church and we have repeatedly offered our unqualified good will."

"The Government's appeal contains a certain reassurance about our reservations regarding these rights of the Holy Church which we have mentioned above and which are quite natural. It declares that it wishes to guarantee the rights of the Church for the future. But the promise of support, mentioned in the same passage, in the 'religious task of the Church' can only be satisfactory if the appeal, that is to say the Government, intends its validity to refer to all the God-given rights and duties of the Church, as is the principle of the dangers of a largely unrestricted entrapment such as ours, and the last thing we would recommend is throttling government controls. We do feel, however, that the authorities might be more adept in scotching rumours, and might at this time make urgent representations via London to the International Monetary Fund with a view to the removal of all bans on the possession, buying and selling of gold.

The pudding has still to be proved; but there is an impressive number of foreigners with a lifetime's experience on the Coast who cannot believe that Communism in China will be at all similar to the Moscow model, and although Mao and company may be radical reformers, it would take centuries to destroy the ideas of individualism and family loyalty so ingrained in the race. This, however, remains to be seen.

In Hong Kong at the moment we are faced with a serious depreciation of our currency in terms of the American dollar, which on the free market costs more than twice the official rate. This is mostly due to persistent rumours of government devaluation and the ban on gold trading, and while speculators may make fortunes out of this, its effect on our economy may be extremely adverse. This is one



Newly arrived from London, a chap describes Hong Kong as a place where the counters are under the cigarettes.

Speaker tells us there is no over-sophistication among women in the New Territories. Even the most enthusiastic local patriot could hardly claim that Tui Po high street rivals the Champs Elysees.

At a party the other evening Myrtle met a lady who was very voluble about her children. There was nothing of any interest to you and me except one item. "I named them after flowers," said the lady. "Rose, Pansy and Artificial."

Writer disapproves of Australia sending different breeds of dogs to Hong Kong and Malaya, both of which he says are infected with rabies. Barking up the wrong tree?

Blake sends me a story about the Czech government official who met President Gottwald on a street in Prague. It was a beautiful sunny day, but Gottwald was holding an open umbrella. "An umbrella?" the friend expostulated. "On such a fine day?" "Didn't you know?" replied the President. "It's raining in Moscow."

The atom war, when over M. Z. took a nice new star. A bright and blazing Nova. To prove what fools men are...

An English woman has a collection of more than 100 sunshades. Seems she has been saving up for a fine day.

Myrtle's grandfather says the heat of debate sometimes makes for coolness.

Believe it or not Ripley, this one only took 10 seconds: F. C. B. A. N. E. W. C. E. D. E. W. E. R.

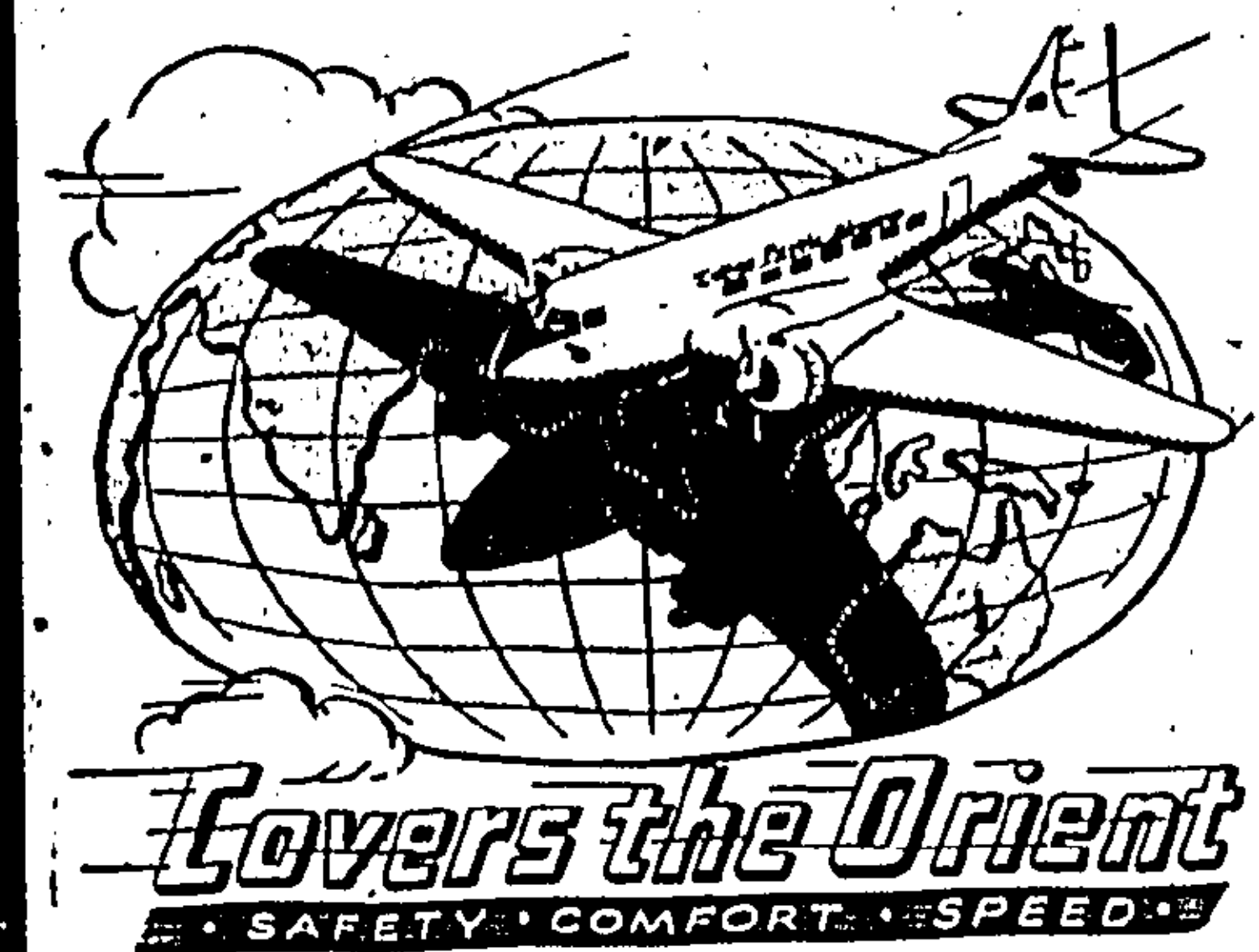
Overheard at a large house in Kowloon last night: "Listen, my party, and I'll invite who I want; and who I don't want."

Britain, the Government has decided, does not need a Foreign Legion. Not now we have given away all our most scenic deserts.

When you hear about an ambassador-at-large there is really no great danger to the public. He's a harmless kind of escaped diplomat.

dissolution by the Government. It thus had the honour of proving that the Hungarian masses were still resisting the dictatorship, but it proved at the same time that a Marxist dictatorship did in fact exist.

(To Be Continued Tomorrow)



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THE GERMAN PROBLEM

Another Attempt To Find A Solution MEETINGS IN PARIS

Paris, May 22. The "Big Four" Council of Foreign Ministers will meet here tomorrow afternoon in the first major attempt to solve the German problem on a four-Power basis since the abortive London conference of December, 1947.

Mr. Ernest Bevin will represent Britain, Mr. Acheson, the United States, Mr. Andrei Vishinsky, Russia, and M. Robert Schuman, France.

Today the three Western Foreign Ministers met at the French Foreign Office the second time within 24 hours for final talks on co-ordinating their policy before the Council meets tomorrow.

The general problem confronting the Foreign Ministers at the start of their conference may be summarised as follows:

With Europe now divided, can Russia and the West agree to a solution for Germany, which is itself divided economically, politically and ideologically?

Both sides are committed in principle to a united, democratic Germany, but the difficulty lies in the different interpretations placed on these words in Moscow and the Western capitals.

It is the bridging of this apparently unbridgeable ideological gulf which is the fundamental issue that must emerge sooner or later at the Paris conference.

Both Mr. Bevin and Mr. Acheson have made it clear that the principles for which the Western Powers have been working, for the creation of a democratic Germany taking its place in the family of Western European nations, will not be sacrificed in Paris.

Common Attitude

The withdrawal of occupation forces and the summoning of a German peace conference, both of which were proposed last June at the eight-Power conference of Russia and her Eastern European allies, are the other main issues which Mr. Vishinsky is likely to raise during the meeting here.

The three Western Foreign Ministers may take the initiative in proposing the agenda for the Conference.

A usually reliable source said today that this was one of many points on which Mr. Bevin, Mr. Acheson and M. Schuman have worked out a common attitude in their meetings at the French Foreign Office yesterday and today.

Subjects which the Western powers will suggest for discussion with Mr. Vishinsky will include, the source added:

1. The political and economic problems involved in the unity of Germany.

2. The Berlin currency problem and other economic consequences of the lifting of the blockade.

3. The peace treaty with Germany.

Austrian Treaty

The Western Foreign Ministers, this source suggests, will also urge Mr. Vishinsky to accept the inclusion of the Austrian peace treaty on the agenda.

They will also make acceptance of the Bonn Constitution for the whole of Germany and very adequate guarantees for genuine democratic freedom in the Soviet Zone the minimum conditions for bringing the Eastern Zone into a United Germany.

The "Big Four" will meet in the luxurious Rose-Marble Palace in the West End of Paris tomorrow.

Germans Set Up Committee

Berlin, May 22.

A German committee has been set up for possible consultation with the three Western Military Governors, to be called on if needed during the meetings of the four-Power Foreign Ministers in Paris.

The German representatives will be chosen from among the Ministers President of the 11 German States and from among members of the Bonn Parliamentary Council.

It is not intended that the Committee should go to Paris, even if they are called upon to present the German viewpoint.—Reuter.

After today's meeting of the three Western Foreign Ministers, which lasted nearly 90 minutes, Mr. Michael McDermott, State Department Press Officer, said:

"They have been talking on the German problem for some time and they all know now exactly what they want to do. He added that they are ready for the opening session tomorrow."

Of the four Foreign Ministers meeting tomorrow, Mr. Bevin is a veteran of former meetings of the Council, which was set up under the Potsdam Agreement of 1945 after three weeks of acrimonious discussions in London, was attended by Mr. Bevin, Mr. Georges Bidault, for France, Mr. George Marshall, for the United States, and M. Vyacheslav Molotov, for Russia.

The last meeting of the Council, which ended in December, 1947 after three weeks of acrimonious discussions in London, was attended by Mr. Bevin, Mr. Georges Bidault, for France, Mr. George Marshall, for the United States, and M. Vyacheslav Molotov, for Russia.

West's Strength

When they assemble tomorrow, the four Foreign Ministers will face a very different situation from that which confronted their predecessors in London.

During the interval the position in Germany and the overall relationship of the Western powers and the Soviet Union has radically changed. The Western powers have consolidated their position in Europe. The battle for European recovery, fought under the guidance of the Organisation for European Economic Co-operation, has turned favourably for the Western powers.

On the political front, the Western powers have strengthened their position through the

North Atlantic Pact and the establishment of the Council of Europe.

Thus, when they face the Russians across the conference table, tomorrow, they will be in a far stronger position than they were at the Moscow Conference early in 1947 and at the London Conference at the end of the year.

Western observers consider that the experiment of the Berlin blockade resulted not only in a serious deterioration of economic conditions in the Soviet Zone of Germany but also affected the whole structure of the Soviet sphere of influence in Eastern Europe, and encouraged moves to re-open the talks on Germany.

The initiative at tomorrow's meeting, these observers feel, lies at present with M. Vishinsky in the sense that the Western power have stated their position, whereas he has not.—Reuter.

Bilateral Pacts Proposed For U.S.

New York, May 23.

Bilateral treaties to protect American investments and patent rights abroad, to provide tax incentives and assure that the Americans can get their earnings out in dollars are urged by the National Foreign Trade Council.

The group of industrialists, bankers and shippers recommended the treaties as the first step in implementing President Truman's programme of aid to underdeveloped areas.

The Council held that the U.S. Government guarantees are not essential to full participation of American private enterprise in the President's "bold new programme". It contended that guarantees would lead either to "undue Government regulation of American private enterprises" or "undesirable involvement of the Government in business."

The bilateral treaties proposed for countries desiring to partic-

Had Too Many Papers

Vienna, May 23.

The Austrian wife of an American soldier was arrested last Friday by Russian zonal border guards because she had too many documents.

The soldier is First Sergeant John Murphy. Colonel Willard Leibel, Provost Marshal, said the Murphys were returning from a leave in Germany in their car. Mr. Murphy had her Austrian identity papers as well as a four-power grey pass which is used by nationals of the four occupying powers for travel inside Austria.

When the border guards saw both documents they became suspicious and arrested her. Murphy continued to Vienna alone to procure his marriage certificate and other papers to prove the arrested woman is his wife.—Associated Press.

BRITISH FORCE IN AUSTRIA

Vienna, May 22.

Major-General T.J.W. Winterton, Deputy High Commissioner in Austria, said today that all responsible Austrians apparently agree that the small British occupation force should remain in Austria until conditions occur which permit all four of the Occupation Powers to withdraw simultaneously.

"We note with understanding the frequently expressed wish of the Austrian people to be released from occupation," he said. "I would like to remind them that the occupation represents a burden for the British also."

Major-General Winterton was speaking at the 100th anniversary of the foundation of a mining school at Leoben, Styria.—Reuter.

AMETHYST CASUALTY IN BRITAIN

Southampton, May 22.

Lieutenant Henry R. M. Mirehouse, first casualty from the Yangtze River shelling of the British sloop Amethyst to be brought home, reached here from Hong Kong on a British Overseas Airways flying boat today for an urgent operation.

The lieutenant, aged 24, has a compound skull fracture and a foreign body, believed to be a shell splinter, is lodged in his brain. He was taken to the naval hospital at Gosport.—Reuter.

Communist Parade At Brixton

London, May 23.

Communists demonstrated yesterday against the arrest of Gerhard Eisler, fugitive from American justice, now being held here.

Loud-speakers before Brixton prison, where Eisler is lodged, blared forth with Communist speeches. Occasionally a face could be seen peeping through one of the prison windows.

The crowd of several hundreds mingled with the demonstrators. The meeting was sponsored by the London Communist Party which has joined the British Council for German Democracy, an anti-fascist organisation, in an effort to free Eisler.

The Home Secretary, Clutter Ede, has announced that he will decide whether Eisler be treated as a political refugee after the US presents its formal demand for his return.

German-born Eisler fled the US while appealing from two prison sentences. He was re-arrested here on request of the U.S.—Associated Press.

MOSCOW TAKES A LOOK AT THE PARIS MEETINGS

Moscow, May 22.

"Pravda's" Yuri Zhukov, in an extensive survey of the situation from Paris on the eve of the Council of Foreign Ministers meeting, today cited U. S. Secretary of State, Dean Acheson's, statement that he "will exhaust every possibility to reach an agreement to establish world tranquility."

Zhukov commented: "It remains to be desired that Mr. Acheson's promise will be confirmed in the course of proceedings of the Council of Foreign Ministers."

However, Zhukov quoted widely from French Press reports of various secret deals among the Western powers which, he said, do not augur well for the success of the conference.

He said: "Judging from the Paris Press it is likely that the Western powers will try to dictate terms to the Soviet Union. But experience has repeatedly showed that such methods do not work with the Soviet Union. Wide French public opinion expects the Council of Foreign Ministers to open with the hope that the advocates' pressure and dictations will give up a formula—unconditional acceptance of their plans or no agreement whatever."

"Pravda" stresses the absolute secrecy of the separate Anglo-American and French conversations "which the Quai d'Orsay locked behind seven seals," lasting the whole week followed by more secret talks after the arrival of the Foreign Ministers themselves.

Kennan Plan

Though Dr. Jessup officially denied the existence of the so-called Kennan plan which rejects the Soviet project calling for complete unification of Germany one year after conclusion of a peace treaty, Paris and London have made it clear that they do not believe the denial, Zhukov said.

"In spite of Anglo-French misgivings about the American pressure and in spite of the American denials, Paris does not harbour illusions about the possibility of the Anglo-French delegations to the Council of Foreign Ministers displaying any kind of independence."

"In spite of the fact that many American plans are diametrically opposed to Britain's and France's interests, Anglo-French diplomats will ultimately adhere to the main course of Washington's policies," Zhukov wrote.—United Press.

NEW PAA ROUTE

Washington, May 22.

Pan American World Airways today announced they will inaugurate a weekly super-deluxe, extra-fare stratoscruiser service between New York and London on June 10.

The Airways claims that the flights, leaving New York on Fridays and London on Sundays, will be the most de luxe service ever offered the air traveller.—United Press.

THE ONLY HOPE FOR EUROPE

Paris, May 22.

General Charles de Gaulle, speaking on the eve of the Foreign Ministers' meeting, said today that the only hope for Europe is an understanding between France and Germany.

Only a strong and regenerated France can provide the necessary balance against the new Germany and thus make an understanding possible, the general said.

Addressing a political meeting here, he declared: "There must be no illusions. The Bonn solution means the reconstitution of the Reich (a centralized Germany as opposed to a federated Germany). The Reich may go with the East or the West."

General de Gaulle continued: "The nature of the Reich is never to accept the status quo, hence the only hope now lies in a new solution of the problem—the chance that one day, perhaps, there will be a genuine understanding between the French and German peoples."

"But we must understand that this involves conditions. The chief of these is that France is re-born and become strong by her own effort and with her Empire, particularly in Africa."

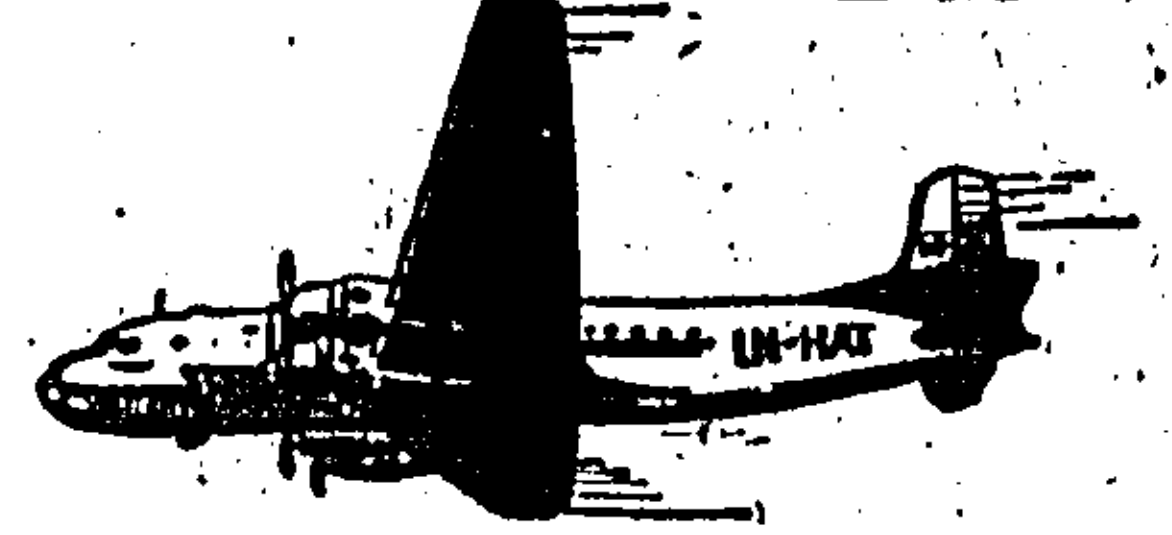
"France must count as heavily in the balance as Germany, especially economically. If an understanding between the two countries is to become possible."

"This means that we must have a firm and clear policy and must, therefore, first of all, change our political regime."

General de Gaulle said the Atlantic Pact is of "immense value and significance," but it would be a mistake for France to rally it until "certain necessary consequences" of the Pact have been realised.—Reuter.

Kingston, Jamaica, May 22. A Government ban on public meetings in Jamaica, imposed last March after clashes between the supporters of Mr. William Bustamante, the Jamaican labour leader, and followers of the People's National Party, has been withdrawn.—Reuter.

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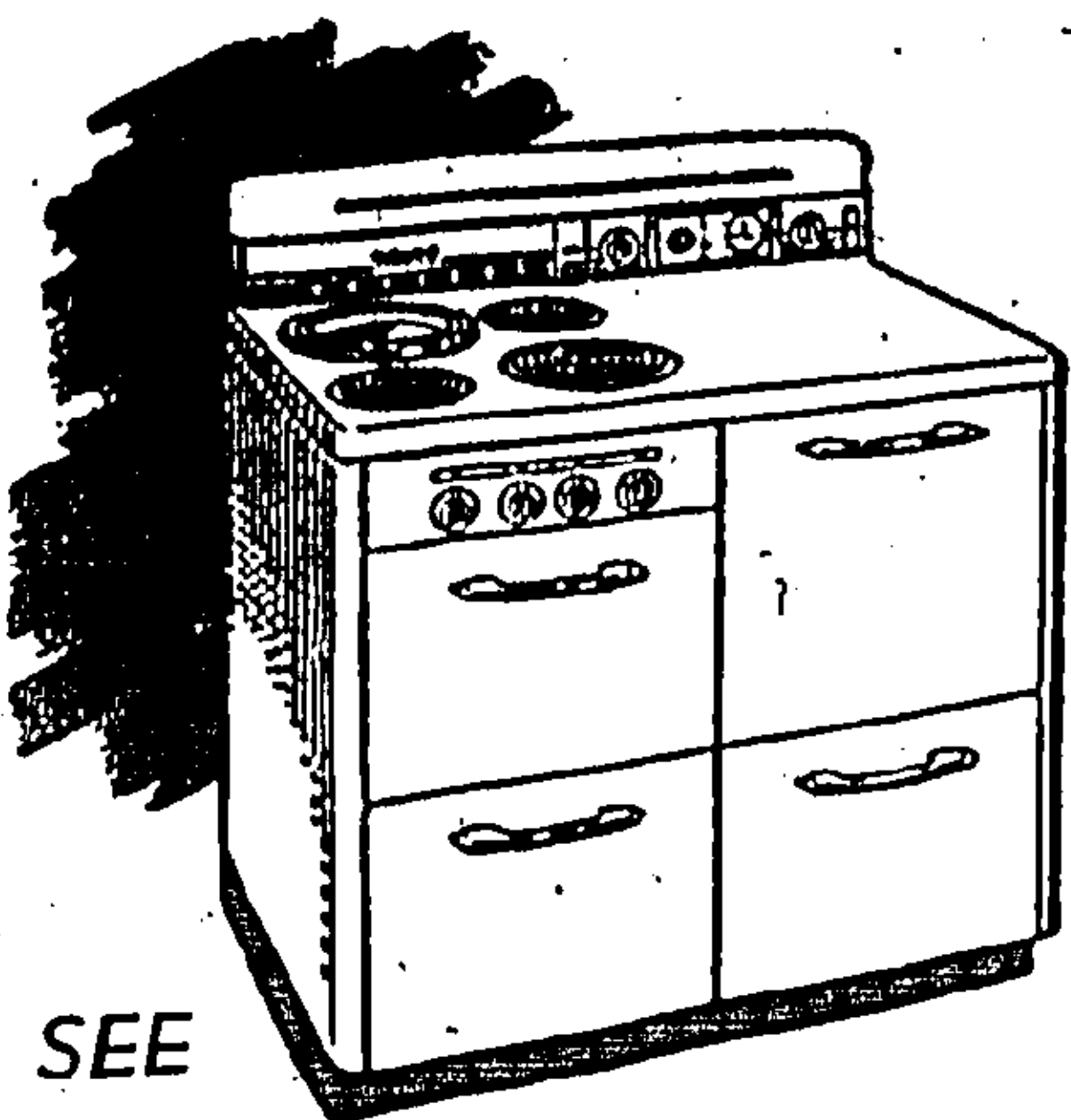
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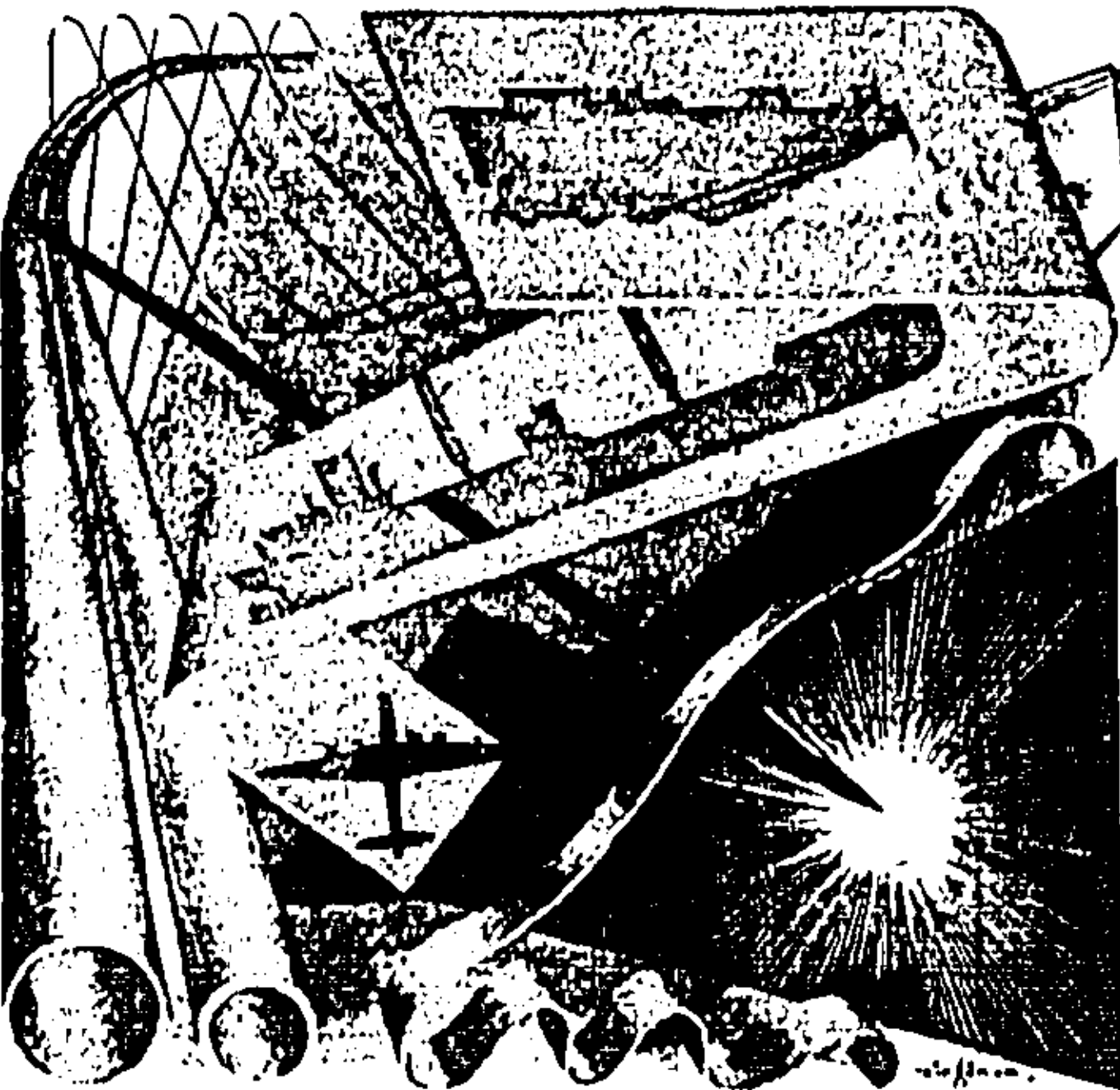


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"LYNCHING BY LABEL"

Washington, May 24.

Dr. Edward U. Condon, Director of the U.S. National Bureau of Standards, says that widespread efforts are being made in the U.S. to "lynch by label"—to persecute scientists and others for their political beliefs.

"The Nazi formula is being applied here with practically no variation from the way the Nazis were using it just 15 years ago," he said in an address before the American Physical Society.

Hungarian Minister Purged?

London, May 22.

Hungary's announcement that its Minister in London, M. Janos Eross, has been relieved of his post on health grounds has been received with scepticism by diplomatic observers in London. M. Eross is reliably understood to be in the best of health.

It is consequently deduced by observers here that some difference of view has developed between the Hungarian Minister and his Government. Members of the Hungarian Legation in London are uncommunicative and it is not known whether M. Eross intends to return to Budapest.

M. Eross came to London as Minister only in March, 1948, on the resignation of the former Socialist Minister, M. Bela Kovacs, who has become a political refugee in Britain. M. Eross was generally understood to be a representative of the Communist Party.—Reuter.

PARDONS IN HELSINKI

Helsinki, May 22.

Finland's wartime Premier, Mr. Vaino Tanner, and the wartime Finance Minister, Mr. Edwin Linkomies, imprisoned in 1945 for having led the country into war, were pardoned today by Mr. Juho Raasikivi, President of Finland.

Mr. Tanner and Mr. Linkomies had already been released on parole last year after serving half of their five and a half years' sentences.

The President also pardoned Mr. E. Kivimäki, former Minister in Berlin.

The pardons mean that the three men will now be able to resume their professions.—Reuter.

MASKED GUNMEN

Rome, May 22.

A farm worker, Bruno Mariotti, aged 16, was seriously wounded when masked men opened fire with automatic rifles yesterday on six peasants working on a farm near Cremona, Lombardy.

The shooting occurred after the peasants had refused to obey an order from the masked men to join the nationwide farm workers' strike.—Reuter.

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Tito To Make Pronouncement

Belgrade, May 23.

Marshal Tito is expected to make an important speech this week on Yugoslav plans for trading with the West as well as denouncing attacks by Russia and her satellites upon Yugoslavia. Responsible diplomatic sources here believe that those two themes will be the basis for Marshal Tito's speech which may come on May 25.

Marshal Tito, while attacking Russian "bribe" of Yugoslavia, is expected to reaffirm his loyalty to the Communist cause and to deplore pressure from the USSR which has "sapped the fulfillment of common objectives."—Associated Press.

Carrier's Mission Of Mercy

Washington, May 22.

In a daring sea manoeuvre 500 miles off New York, the big aircraft carrier, USS Philippine Sea, today pulled alongside a small transport ship and took off a critically ill passenger for a life-saving transfusion of blood.

The passenger was removed from the ship's Marine Flasher to the carrier by a stretcher basket attached to the breeches buoy. He was identified by Navy officials as James Morgan, 61, retired gardener.

The Navy said he is resting comfortably and in good condition after receiving transfusions of the rare O-BH negative type blood from four members of the carrier's crew.

The naturalized citizen, who was on the way to his native Ireland, was stricken with an acute hemorrhaging peptic ulcer late on Saturday when the Marine Flasher, former Army transport, was 500 miles out of New York. The ship's surgeon radioed a call for help and the Navy ordered the Philippine Sea to render aid.

The rescue carrier was about 800 miles out of New York returning from the Mediterranean service. The original plan for the carrier to despatch a doctor with blood plasma for transfusion to the Marine Flasher by helicopter was changed when Morgan's condition became worse.—United Press.

CZECHS RELEASE U.S. SOLDIERS

Heidelberg, May 22.

Two American soldiers, Clarence R. Hill and George R. Jones, who were yesterday granted pardons by the Czech President, Dr. Klement Gottwald, after being under arrest for more than five months, were released at Eisenstein on the Czech-German border this afternoon.

They were met by Lieutenant-Colonel Charles T. Talbot, Acting Commander of the Sixth Armoured Cavalry Regiment, and returned to the Regiment's headquarters in Bavaria.

A European Command Headquarters statement here said that the two soldiers had been in Czech custody since about December 12 and that they had been absent without leave since December 1.—Reuter.



General Don Francisco Franco Bahamonde, Head of the Spanish State, is pictured recently as he watched the Copa del Generalissimo horse race at the Madrid Hippodrome. At right is Franco's sister-in-law Senora De Sarracina Surra and, on other side of Franco, his wife. Friend at extreme left is unidentified. (Associated Press Photo).

Chinese Reds' Attack On Policy In Malaya

San Francisco, May 23.

The Chinese Communist radio today turned its propaganda guns against the British in Malaya.

British administrators were accused of "carrying out an anti-Chinese policy."

The radio broadcast a series of protests against the hanging of S. A. Ganapathy, whom it described as an Indian labour leader in Malaya.

It said that Ganapathy had been "murdered by British imperialism" on May 4. It described him as the Chairman of the Pan-Malayan Federation of Trade Unions.

One protest was broadcast in the name of the All-China Federation of Labour. Another was in the names of Lu Cheng and Yeh Miao-shu.

The radio, heard in San Francisco by the Associated Press, also attacked the recent banning of the China Democratic League in Malaya.

"Patriotic Work" It said the League had never interfered with local politics but had carried on patriotic work among overseas Chinese there.

(On May 9, the Singapore Government banned all foreign political parties, including the League and the Nationalist Kuomintang).

The broadcast is the first overt sign that the triumphant Reds in China are seriously interesting themselves in the Malayan trouble.

Since last June, several thousand guerrillas, mostly Chinese and either avowed or suspected Communists, have waged a losing fight against the British in the Malayan jungles.

Guerrilla bands originally began operating in Malaya against the Japanese and were armed by American planes.

"Later," the Peiping radio said in protesting the ban on the Democratic League "the British Government in Malaya has been carrying out an anti-Chinese policy, arresting overseas democrats and deporting great numbers of overseas Chinese."

Now it prohibits overseas Chinese from carrying out patriotic political activities.—Associated Press.

CYPRUS ELECTION CLASHES

Nicosia, May 22.

Incidents and clashes in the first municipal elections in Cyprus since 1946 are being reported on every few minutes, the police stated tonight. Over 117 people have been arrested in the clashes between left and right wing voters.

A left wing Greek, aged 17, died in hospital from a knife wound this afternoon which he had received in an incident with opponents. Twenty other people have been taken to hospital.

Four hundred left wing supporters attacked with stones and sticks the right wing assault on the trade union premises.

Windows were smashed and furniture broken in hand-to-hand fights. Police, including British police officers, restored order with difficulty. Several arrests were made.

Several cars were damaged by the stone throwing. Eight policemen were hurt in clashes near the Greek Cathedral, during which knives were used.

The first election results came from the seaside town of Kyrenia, where right wing candidates are leading.—Reuter.

SHE HAD REASON TO FAINT

Paris, May 23.

The wife of a Lille postman fainted in court when she and her husband were fined about 12 million francs for traffic in goods smuggled from Belgium.

Between them, the couple had made about 2,000,000 francs in commission on smuggled goods they posted to various parts of France. They were about to buy a house when the police arrested them.—Reuter.

DEATH SENTENCE IN ISRAEL

Haifa, May 23.

The first death sentence in Israel was given by a district court here on Sunday against two Arabs who have been found guilty of murdering a Jewish merchant in Haifa last July.

The three Jewish judges announced the verdict on a British mandatory criminal law of 1939.—Associated Press.

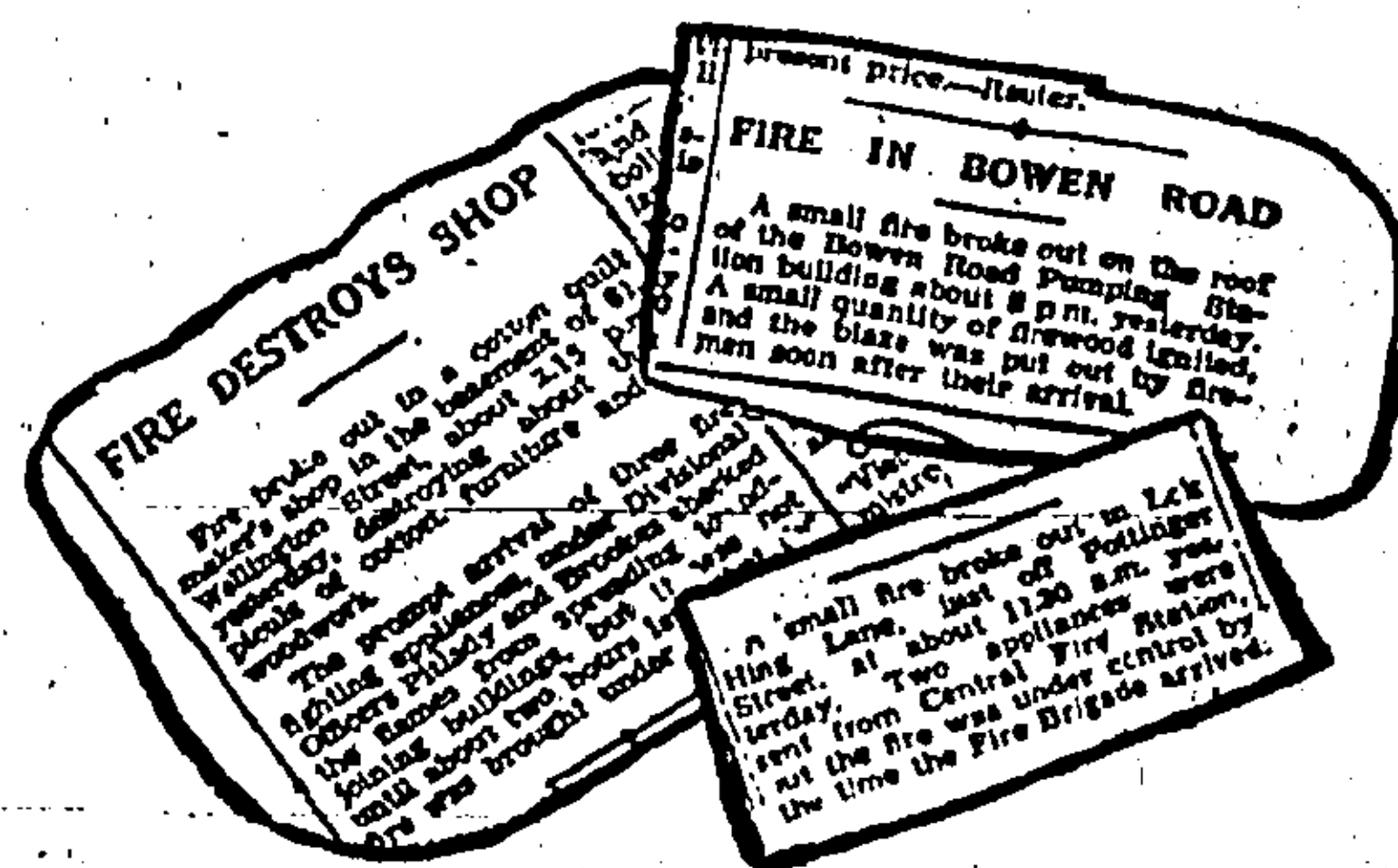
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BERLIN STRIKERS' RIOT

MILITARY LEADERS TO MEET

Berlin, May 23. New violence flared today in Berlin's railway strikes. The American military commandant summoned his French and British counterparts in Western Berlin to "deal with the intolerable situation."

Brigadier-General Frank Howley, the American commandant, asked his colleagues to meet at 10.00 a.m.

"This intolerable situation requires our attention," he said.

"This is no longer just a matter between the Soviet-controlled Reichsbahn (Railroad) management and the workers. The management has used strike breakers and armed police and threatened to discharge permanently all strikers."

Sporadic clashes yesterday between armed Soviet sector railway police and anti-Communist strikers and their sympathizers wounded and injured at least 20 persons.

This morning, as the rioting went into its third day, a jeering mob stoned the Soviet sector police who had barricaded themselves inside Western Berlin's largest overhead railway station. —Associated Press.

Australian Prelate In Manila

Manila, May 22. Accompanied by a retinue of Catholic priests, His Eminence Norman Thomas Gilroy, Archbishop of Sydney, was given a warm reception by Government officials and local Church and civic leaders at the Manila International Airport when he arrived this afternoon for a 10-hour stop-over before proceeding to Japan by an Australian Air Force plane tonight.

"No more cordial welcome could have been given than what I have received here this afternoon," the Australian prelate said upon his arrival.

He also asked the Faithful in the Philippines to pray for Japan. The Papal Legate, who is en route to Japan to open the celebrations of the 40th anniversary of St. Francis Xavier's arrival in that country, officiated at a Te Deum shortly after his arrival, in the Chapel of the University of Santo Tomas. This was followed by a reception in his honour attended by, among others, Manila's Papal Knights in their full regalia.

Afterwards the Cardinal placed a wreath on the tomb of the late Aurora Quezon. —Reuter.

GENERAL TO SEE BAO DAI

Dalat, May 22. General Georges Marie Revers, Chief of Staff of the French Army, and M. Leon Pignon, French High Commissioner for Indo-China, arrived today to pay a courtesy visit to Bao Dai, the ex-emperor of Annam.

General Revers will inspect the French troops in Cochinchina tomorrow, members of his staff said. Later, General Revers is expected to visit Lao Kay, 170 miles North West of Hanoi, to inspect military posts on the Red River, near the Tonkin-Chinese border, where Vietnamese and Chinese Communists attacked in March. The Chief of Staff may also visit Siam, usually well-informed circles said. —Reuter.

Western Police Control Station

Berlin, May 22. British-controlled West German police tonight marched into Berlin's big Charlottenburg Station, cleared out striking strikers and Soviet-controlled railway police, and occupied it. At 9 p.m. West Berlin police were in complete control of the station, with strikers and railroad police re-assembling at a distance on both sides.

The key station had changed hands several times during the second day of the anti-Communist railroad men's strike to enforce demands that the Soviet railroad authorities should pay them in Western instead of Eastern marks.

Dr. Ferdinand Friedensburg, Western Deputy Mayor of Berlin, tonight officially protested to the three-Power Allied Commandatura against the use of firearms by Soviet-controlled railway police on West sector railway stations.

Firing by railway police had already caused a number of casualties among West sector inhabitants, some of them non-strikers, he said.

West Berlin headquarters announced that during a series of clashes 12 strikers and citizens were wounded by shots.

Twenty-eight railroad police were injured during fighting with strikers yesterday and today, the Soviet-controlled railroad headquarters stated.

Bloody Struggle

West sector police posted outside S-Bahn (overhead railroad) stations tonight reported the arrest of 10 civilians and 31 railroad police, all of whom were later released.

Fighting flared up at Charlottenburg tonight when railroad police fired on advancing strikers. Driven from the platforms after a bloody struggle, the police recaptured part of the station with the aid of reinforcements rushed along the track from the Soviet sector.

But soon afterwards a strong detachment of Western sector police, armed with pistols and batons, entered the station and cleared the platforms.

Another large group of strikers at the same time stormed the station from the opposite direction. After a battle they succeeded in driving the railroad police detachment from the platforms. The strikers, armed with clubs and stones, were accompanied by several hundred civilian sympathizers.

Shots Fired

A number of railroad police fired shots, wounding some strikers.

After the platform had been captured by the crowd, three railroad policemen were seen being led away by West sector constables who arrived after the first shots were fired.

Shortly after the strikers had captured the station, large railroad reinforcements arrived along the track from the Soviet sector. After prolonged scuffling they managed to recapture part of the platforms.

Six Soviet officers watched the fight from a distance, but did not interfere. A Western sector police official said that normally they were not expected to enter railway installations, which come within the jurisdiction of the railway police.

British Statement

But they had been ordered to occupy the station because the latest clashes and firing constituted a threat to public safety.

Crowds Stone Russians In British Zone

Berlin, May 22. Forty Russian officers were stoned by a jeering crowd of several hundred Germans in the British sector today. Only quick intervention by Western German police saved them possible serious injury. In another incident, a truckload of Russian officers and their families, apparently on the way to a picnic, was stoned by crowds outside Grunewald station in the British sector. —United Press.

COMPOSER DEAD

Vienna, May 22. The Russian-born German conductor and composer, Hans Pfitzner, died in Salzburg today from pneumonia, aged 80. —Reuter.

CANTONESE BY RADIO

BY S.K. LEE

Lesson 34 (A)

- Vocabulary:
- 227. (maan) (2) maan
 - 228. (haak) haak (3)
 - 229. (uen) (1) yuen
 - 230. (aun) aun (3)
 - 231. (chau) jau (3)
 - 232. (po) (3) boh (or) boh (2)
 - 233. (pong) (3) bong
 - 234. (yeung) (1) yeung
 - 235. (chue) jue (1)
 - 236. (chun) jon (1)
 - 237. (suet) suet (3)
 - 238. (kwai) (2) gwai
 - Imitative expressions:
 - (7) On (1) see (2).
 - (8) (3) But I am (1) day (2).
 - (9) Wal (1) (3) see gay (2).
 - (10) Jeen (1) dzau (2).
 - Combinations:
 - 1. Gum (1) (2) maan.
 - 2. (1) Yuen haak.
 - 3. Aan (2) jau (3)
 - (3) Shik aan (3) jau (3).
 - (3) Deen wah (2) boh (2).
 - (1) Yeung (3) yook.
 - Jue (1) (3) yook.
 - Suet (3) (3) gwai.
 - (3) Deen suet (3) (3) gwai.
 - (3) Euan gwoon (2).
 - (3) Shik (3) mut.
 - (2) Ngaw (3) day
 - gum (1) (2) maan tseng (2) haak (3).
 - (2) Nay yut (1) (3) shik
 - (1) yuen aan (3) yau, (3)
 - (3) dzau hoh (2) hui (3)
 - (2) maye (2) yeh lah (3).
 - (2) Nay ning (1) nee (1) ngaw (3) boh (2) hui (3)
 - (3) baun-gwoon (2), (3)
 - law (2) boon (3), (3)
 - (3) bong (1) yeung-
 - (3) yook.
 - (3) bong boon (3) jue (1)-
 - (3) yook
 - (1) lung suet (3) gay (3)
 - on (1)-see (2) (1) ngau-
 - (1) yau.
 - (3) Yau law (2)
 - (2) leung jon (1) (3) but-
 - laun (1)- day (2).
 - saam (1) jon (1) wai (1)-
 - (1) see-gay (2).
 - (1) tung yut (1) jon (1)
 - jeen (1)-dzau (2).
 - (2) Nay put (1) law (2)-
 - doh (2) dee (1) (2) yeh,
 - (3) dzau dzik (1)-huk (1)
 - ning (1) faun (1) (1) lai
 - lah (1).
 - Taay (3) taay (3),
 - (2) ngaw faan (1) jaw (2)
 - (1) lai lok (3).
 - Dee (1) (2) yeh jui (1)
 - hai (2) been (1)- shue (3)
 - ah? (3)
 - A. Jui (1) (3) yup (3) deen-
 - suet (3)- (3) gwai lah (1).
- Evening.
- A guest. A visitor.
 - Finish.
 - Early (morning).
 - Day time.
 - A book (in which to write).
 - A register.
 - A pound.
 - A sheep. A goat.
 - A pig.
 - A bottle.
 - Snow.
 - A chest.
 - Ounce.
 - Brandy.
 - Whiskey.
 - Gin.
 - This evening.
 - A guest. A visitor.
 - Noon.
 - To have lunch.
 - A telephone directory.
 - Mutton.
 - Pork.
 - An ice box.
 - A refrigerator.
 - Comprodor.
 - Foodstuffs.
 - We are inviting guests this evening.
 - As soon as you have finished lunch, better go shopping.
 - Take this order book to the comprodor and get half a pound of mutton,
 - a pound and a half of pork
 - and four ounces of butter.
 - And also get two bottles of brandy,
 - Three bottles of whiskey,
 - and one bottle of gin.
 - As soon as you have obtained the things, then bring them back immediately.
 - Madam, I've come back.
 - Where shall I put the things?
 - Put them in the refrigerator.



Twelve-year-old soprano Anna Maria Alberghetti, a new child prodigy, takes a bow after her first concert in Rome. Anna Maria received an ovation for her interpretation of arias from such famous Italian operas as Verdi's Rigoletto, Mozart's Magic Flute, and Donizetti's Lucia de Lamermoor. She won her first prize at the age of nine, has since given several concerts in Italian provincial towns. She sings with full orchestral accompaniment. (AP Photo).

INDIAN MAGNATE'S VISIT TO U.S.

New York, May 22. Mr. Ghanashyam Das Birla, Indian business magnate, says that the forthcoming visit of the Indian Prime Minister, Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, to the United States may provide an opportunity for a further clarification of India's policy to foreign capital—if American big business want it.

Mr. Birla, during the first few days of his brief visit here, has explored the possibilities of American collaboration, through capital investments and the participation of their "Industrial know-how," as he puts it, in the development of Indian industry.

Mr. Birla told Reuters: "I have met a large number of top American businessmen in such diverse fields as motor car manufacture, electrical goods, power generating plants, textiles and oils. I have also met big financiers, bankers and heads of structural engineering concerns."

"Businessmen here generally are very sympathetic to India. They realise that with China gone and other parts of Asia in turmoil, India is the only country that could contribute toward peace in Asia."

"But in practice, their sympathy means little. If we had the dollars, there would be little difficulty in securing America's machinery and technical knowledge. But we do not have them. Therefore India can only obtain American technique by America giving a helping hand."

Asked about his estimate of the foreign capital that would be needed, Mr. Birla said: "If we are to industrialise our country quickly, we must rely on buying our requirements in Britain and America."

"I think that in America we may have to spend anything like \$1,000,000,000 in the next few years. That could be done only if the American investors helped not merely with money but with America's industrial know-how."

—Reuter.

New Delhi, May 23. The UN Kashmir Commission held its first full meeting near here on Sunday but decided not to open India's sealed reply on the Kashmir dispute until Pakistan's has also been received. —Associated Press.

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Mount Noarhuo is seen in eruption. The mountain is one of three volcanoes in the Central region of the North Island of New Zealand.—AP Photo.

Forrestal's Suicide Caused By Overwork

Washington, May 22.
Latest details about the death of Mr. James Forrestal, former U. S. Defence Secretary, reveal that when his body was discovered after he had leapt to his death from the seventh floor of the Navy Hospital at Bethesda, Maryland, early yesterday, the cord of his bathrobe was found to be knotted tightly round his neck.

In his room was a book of Greek philosophical poetry on the subject of life and death, and at the place where it was opened were notations in his handwriting.

Mr. Forrestal made his death leap from a room near his own. The windows of his room had heavy wire screens which were locked, but the other room had movable screens. He had declined his usual sedative last night.

A hospital statement today said: "Mr. James Forrestal took his own life by climbing out of a window adjacent to his room." He had been under treatment at the hospital for "nervous exhaustion" for some weeks and had recently shown improvement.

In a statement made today, President Truman said: "I was inexpressibly shocked and grieved to hear of the death of my friend, James Forrestal. This able, devoted public servant was truly a casualty of war as if he had died on the firing line."

Mr. Forrestal had marked the following line from the Chorus from Ajax, an anthology of world poetry: "When reason's day sets dayless—joyless—quenched in cold decay, better to die and sleep."

The Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, who heads the United States delegation for the Big Four talks in Paris, said in the French capital tonight that the death of Mr. Forrestal is "a heavy loss to us."

Hoovy Sacrifice
Mr. Acheson added: "All of us who have known Mr. Forrestal personally, as I have during his long, devoted and valuable services to his country, have been saddened and worried by his illness. We knew the weight of the responsibility he had carried and his heavy self-sacrifice through the war years and in the difficult years that followed. I

had hoped and expected that rest would have restored his reserves of strength and that his great capabilities would again be at the call of his country.

"The entire nation will regret that this will not be possible."

Mrs. James Forrestal is due to leave Paris by air today for Washington with her son, Michael.

Mrs. Forrestal arrived in Paris last Friday from the United States. Mr. Michael Forrest arrived in Paris recently from Washington to continue his work with the Economic Co-operation Administration.

Together they had been planning to find a place in France where the former Defence Secretary, whose condition before his suicide was reported to be improving, could continue his recuperation.

Mrs. Forrestal and her son spent part of today with Mr. Averell Harriman, Marshall Plan Ambassador-at-large. Arrangements for their return to the United States by special Government plane were made by Mr. Acheson and Mr. David Bruce, the United States Ambassador.—Reuter.

NAZIS ESCAPE
Frankfurt, May 23.
Two German war criminals escaped on Saturday from a prison here, the U.S. Army announced today.

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GRIEVOUS TOLL IN AMERICAN TORNADO

Chicago, May 22.
At least 43 persons were counted dead today and nearly 400 injured in broadside tornadoes and high winds that tore through towns in four mid-Western States, wrecking homes.

The authorities in some stricken cities fear the death toll will go higher after the rescue parties have completed their search through the litter of torn wires, uprooted trees, smashed cars and flattened homes.

In addition, scores of people were injured and sent to hospital, some in critical condition. Property damage is expected to run into millions of dollars.

At least five twisters and high winds smashed through nearly a score of towns and farming communities in Missouri, South Eastern Iowa, Illinois and Western Indiana. The storms climaxed a week of devastating twisters, floods and wind storms in the South West and Midwest that had claimed 10 other lives.

The United States Weather Bureau here said the storm system that produced the latest tornadoes had moved Eastward into Ohio and West Virginia but had lost much of its intensity.

Cape Girardeau, Missouri, an old Mississippi River town, took the hardest blow with 20 known dead and some 250 injured. The Red Cross believes the death toll there may reach 25 as its rescue workers moved through the rubble of 433 wrecked homes.

Tanks Burn
Mayor Walter Ford estimates that 500 families are homeless at Cape Girardeau. Fifty-four injured remain in the hospitals and Mr. Ford said some cases are critical and may die.

Two National Guard companies patrolled the devastated areas at Cape Girardeau to prevent looting.

Elsewhere in the tornado destruction areas violent thunderstorms and hailstorms lashed districts and high winds also caused damage.

Twelve storage tanks of the Standard Oil Company of Indiana went up in a mass of flames at Wood River, Illinois, across the Mississippi River from St. Louis. —United Press.

Recovery In France

Paris, May 22.
M. Vincent Auriol, President of the Republic, said today that France is recovering, but Marshall Plan aid will end in 1952 and "we must work more than ever." President Auriol was speaking at Nantes, Western France.

He said: "We must build up a sound economy and become capable of exporting sufficiently and at prices which can be accepted on the world market, in order to balance our budget."

The President called on Frenchmen to "leave aside all political preferences, appease passions and dispel agitation and dissensions."

Speaking later at St. Nazaire M. Auriol praised Franco's work of reconstruction, "in which" St. Nazaire gave the example. "Our industrial production has now exceeded, less than four years after the end of the second World War, the highest level it ever reached—in 1929. It took France six years after the first World War to catch up with her 1913 level," he said.—Reuter.

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DON'T BE SILLY, GEORGIE!
AND I SHOULD HAVE BROUGHT SOME LEGGINGS TO TRAMP ROUND YOUR ESTATE—
WHAT AM I GOING TO DO WITH IT ALL, GEORGIE?
DON'T ASK ME!—I—ER—CAME TO TELL YOU FORTUNATELY PARTNER HAS SHIPPED THROUGH OUR FINKERS' AND I'M OFF TO EIRE AGAIN!
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PHILIPPINES OPPOSE KOREAN WITHDRAWAL

HAIFA OIL TO RESUME

Haifa, May 22.

New British personnel for the Consolidated Oil Refineries in Haifa have arrived to prepare to resume operations.

Considerable quantities of new machinery and about 30 new cars have been received here lately. The question of resumption has already been touched on in the London talks between Israeli and British financial delegations.

Three principal questions were touched upon by the London negotiations.

Firstly, the modification of the status under which the refineries have so far operated, to place their exploitation on the basis of a concession.

Secondly, reaching an agreement on financial remuneration in foreign currency to Israel for the concession.

Thirdly, reconciling the British views on oil exploitation in the Middle East with the new conditions resulting from the American entry into the Middle East market.

The Haifa Refineries are worth £200 million. The British Consul in Haifa, Mr. Cyril Marriot, and the head of the staff at the refineries are expected to go to London at the end of May to take part in the financial talks.

Normandy Landing Ceremony

London, May 22.

Forty former United States war correspondents, who covered the Allied invasion of Normandy, will return to the battlefields on the French coast on June 5 to take part in ceremonies commemorating the fifth anniversary of D-Day.

On the Allied beach-heads, still strewn with rusting wreckage, they will take part in memorial services, which have been organised by the French Government. M. Vincent Auriol, President of the French Republic, will head the French delegation. The United States and British military and diplomatic representatives will also be present.

The American correspondents, after visiting the battlefields in Normandy, will go to Luxembourg and Germany.

CHECK ON SHIP CREWS

New York, May 23.

The Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Immigration authorities were reported today to be double-checking the crews of all vessels arriving at New York because of the increase in crew desertions especially from Polish, Greek and Italian ships.

The New York World Telegram, reporting this, said "Officials think that a majority just want to get away from their home countries, but some could be spies, particularly among those jumping Polish ships."

Reuter.

RADIO

This is Radio Hong Kong broadcasting on a frequency of 845 kilocycles per second and on 9.52 megacycles per second in the 31 metre band.

12.15 p.m.—Religious Talk (DICTS).

12.30 p.m.—Daily Programme Summary.

12.32 p.m.—London Palladium Orchestra.

1.00 p.m.—Songs by Eadie Ackland and Peter Dawson.

1.15 p.m.—News, Weather Report and Announcements.

1.25 p.m.—Interlude.

1.30 p.m.—"From the Show".

2.00 p.m.—Close Down.

6.00 p.m.—Programme Summary.

6.01 p.m.—Children's Story: "Dragons and Lanterns" by Barnaby Twist (Radio).

6.15 p.m.—"The Great Family". A Children's Programme for Empire Day (HICKS).

6.35 p.m.—Concert by Radio. Given by Miss Lee Wai Lan and S.K. Lee (Studio).

6.55 p.m.—Duke Ellington and His Orchestra.

7.00 p.m.—American Letter by Allister Cooke (London Relay).

7.15 p.m.—The New Concert Orchestra.

7.40 p.m.—"How the Memory" presented by Allen Woods (Studio).

8.00 p.m.—World News and News Analysis (London Relay).

8.15 p.m.—"Meet the Tenors" (Studio).

8.30 p.m.—"The Blue Danube". The Story of the Strauss Family and their Contemporaries. A Musical Cavalcade of the Twentieth Century Europe.

8.55 p.m.—Concert by Radio. Given by Miss Lee Wai Lan and S.K. Lee (Studio).

9.00 p.m.—"From the Editorials" (London Relay).

9.10 p.m.—Chamber Music Recital: "Trio No. 7 in E Flat (Mozart), "Kontner, Kell and Hilde."

9.30 p.m.—Commonwealth Variety Band: A Special Programme with Artists from the British Commonwealth of Nations (BBCTB).

10.00 p.m.—Concert by Radio. Given by Miss Lee Wai Lan and S.K. Lee (Studio).

10.30 p.m.—Radio News, News (London Relay).

11.00 p.m.—Radio News, News (London Relay).

11.15 p.m.—Weather Report and Summary of News from China.

11.30 p.m.—Close Down.

Seoul, May 22.
Dr. Rufino Luna, Philippine delegate to the United Nations Commission on Korea, says that his delegation strongly opposes the expected withdrawal of the 8,000 American troops from South Korea.

Dr. Luna, speaking for the Philippine delegation but not for the UN commission, said: "The United States luckily does not know what it means to be seized and occupied by a foreign power. But Korea does know and we in the Philippines also know."

"I am opposed to withdrawal because the United Nations General Assembly resolution, on Korean clearly indicates that Russian and American troops should be withdrawn at the same time. And as a member of the UN Commission on Korea I have been denied an opportunity of entering North Korea to see whether Russian troops in fact have been withdrawn."

"Under these circumstances, I cannot agree that the Republic of Korea would be safe from attack if the remaining American troops are taken away," Dr. Luna added.

This statement by Dr. Luna, which was made at a dinner given by the Korean Foreign Minister, Mr. Ben C. Limb, came as no surprise to diplomatic quarters here. It is generally believed here that the Philippine and Korean governments are working very closely for a proposed Pacific pact similar to the North Atlantic alliance pact.

It is believed by informed observers that both countries desire American backing similar to the United States commitments in the Atlantic area. Last March Philippine President Elpidio Quirino called for such a pact in the Far East, at which time the Korean President, Dr. Syngman Rhee, said he would put his "whole-hearted support" behind such a move.

Hard Task

Dr. Luna's statement came on the heels of an announcement by the United Nations Commission on Korea that it recently attempted to establish contact with the Soviet-sponsored North Korean regime for the purpose of carrying out on the spot investigation North of the 38th parallel.

The commission does not know whether the letter, sent to North Korea via ship from Hong Kong, has left the British Colony or has reached North Korea, and it has not yet received a reply.

Dr. Luna concluded his statement by saying: "In Korea the United Nations has undertaken a hard task. So far we have failed. We have failed completely to extend representative democracy into the North as we have been charged to do."

"I trust we shall yet succeed. But until we do, I feel most strongly that American troops should not be withdrawn," United Press.

BELGRADE DROPS HINT

Belgrade, May 22.

Closer commercial relations between East and West were advocated today by the Belgrade newspaper, "Politika." "Extensive commercial relations between the countries which are building Socialism and the capitalist countries are needed by both sides," the newspaper said.

The newspaper proposed that France and Italy should barter their industrial products for Polish coal, instead of importing coal from the United States. The paper criticised the East European trade policy by saying: "The European democracies with higher developed industries have exploited the post-war boom conditions by imposing very hard conditions in commercial agreements with friendly countries."

"In some cases, the demand prices above world market prices if they are the sellers, but when they are the buyers they offer less than the world price," "Politika" added.—Reuter.

EMPLOYMENT IN U.S. LOWER

Washington, May 23.

Factory employment in the U.S. dropped in April for the seventh straight month. The Government said 15,597,000 were employed in April, 330,000 less than in March.

However, the total employment, exclusive of farms, gained 11,000 to a total of 45,599,000.

The Bureau of Labour Statistics said factory labour reached a post-war high of 20 of every 1,000 workers affected. Factory hiring simultaneously fell to a post-war low.

Workers' average earnings declined from \$53.58 in March to \$52.62 in April. This was largely the result of reduced hours of work, averaging 35.5 a week in April.—Associated Press.

Japanese Get Order For Cables

Tokyo, May 22.

The Furukawa Electric Company announced today that it had competition from 15 large cable-making companies in the United States, Britain, Netherlands and other countries and won a £500,000 contract with the Indian Government.

The company said the contract for communication cables was awarded the Japanese firm after rigid tests of samples and other information in New Delhi during February.

The Japanese company said a letter of credit from the Indian Government for £375,000 has been received together with an Indian import permit. It said the order was for underground communication cables totalling approximately 6,000 tons and more than 980 miles in length.

The order covers cables in seven sizes and will be fulfilled at the company's Yokohama factory before the end of September.—United Press.

Conditions In N. China

London, May 23.

A correspondent of the "Times" lately in North China, asserted today that after two months of Communist experiments, North China was "reverting to a kind of agricultural community in which certain doctrinaire theories, which the Chinese Communist Party has been preaching for many years, are being enforced according to vote, no matter what the consequences."

"It is beside the point to argue that, unless the population is satisfied, the experiment cannot succeed," the correspondent added.

"The Chinese, especially those of the North, have always been a very docile people and would not in any case overthrow the regime, even if they wanted to. It is possible that for economic reasons the Communist experiment may fail in the long run, but not until there had been a split in the party itself, leading possibly to more civil wars and similar upheavals."—Reuter.

FRENCH BUDGET

Paris, May 22.

The Finance Committee of the National Assembly is tonight preparing for an all-night session to consider the Finance Minister, M. Maurice Peteché's, proposals to reduce the Budget deficit of 83,000 million francs.

The main causes of the deficit are increased military credits and the failure of some nationalised industries to declare a profit. The Committee is trying to reach a compromise plan that will satisfy the moderate Right Wing critics when the bill comes before Parliament, probably on Monday.—Reuter.

Saved 23 Years For Her Passage

Yarmouth, May 22.

Mrs. Beatrice Hamman, a widow, aged 61, has saved two shillings a week over the past 23 years to pay for her passage to New Zealand to see her son, Mrs. Hamman, who is a cinema cleaner, has now saved £100, and hopes to sail for New Zealand early next month to stay there for about a year.

Her son, William, migrated when he was 17 years old. Mrs. Hamman said today: "Now I shall be able to meet my son and his family at Christchurch."—Reuter.

POST OFFICE MAIL NOTICE

Outward Mails

Unless otherwise stated, Registered Articles and Parcel Post close 10 minutes earlier than the ordinary mail. If mails close before 10 a.m. Registered and Parcel Post close at 5 p.m. on the previous day.

Mails are closed at Kowloon Central Post Office half an hour earlier than the GPO closing time.

TUESDAY, MAY 24

Closing Times by Air

Canton, (Kowloon GPO) 7.30 a.m., 10.30 a.m., 12.30 p.m., 2.30 p.m., (GPO) 7 a.m., 10.00 a.m., Noon, 2 p.m.

Airmail for Shanghai, (Reg.) 5 p.m. 23/5, (Ord.) 8 a.m. 24/5.

Airmail for Swatow and Amoy, (Reg.) 8.30 a.m., (Ord.) 5 p.m.

Airmail for Swatow, Amoy, Shanghai and Tientsin, (Reg.) 3 p.m., (Ord.) 5.30 p.m.

Airmail for Chungking: Airmail for Taipei: Airmail for Foochow, (Reg.) 3 p.m., (Ord.) 5.30 p.m.

Airmail for Hongkong, Calcutta, Karachi, (Reg.) 3 p.m., (Ord.) 5.30 p.m.

Airmail for Calcutta, Karachi, Dares Salaam, Mauritius, Johannesburg and Cairo via Karachi, Alexandria, Rome and London, Kowloon GPO: (Reg.) 4 p.m., (Ord.) 4.30 p.m.; GPO: (Reg.) 4.30 p.m., (Ord.) 5 p.m.

Airmail for Singapore, (Reg.) 4.30 p.m., (Ord.) 5 p.m.

Airmail for Manila, Honolulu, USA and Canada, (Reg.) 4.30 p.m., (Ord.) 5 p.m.

Air Parcel Post for Manila, Honolulu and USA, (Kowloon GPO) 4.30 p.m., (GPO) 5 p.m.

Ordinary Airmail (printed matters, samples and small packet posts) for Manila, Guam, Honolulu and USA, (Kowloon GPO) 4.30 p.m., (GPO) 5 p.m.

Airmail for Bangkok, (Reg.) 4.30 p.m., (Ord.) 5 p.m.

Closing Times by Sea

Macassar, 10 a.m.

Straits, Aden, Egypt and Marseilles, Noon.

Manila, 2 p.m.

Holhow, Pakhal via Holhow and Straits, 3 p.m.

Swatow, 4 p.m.

Hainan, 6 p.m.

Tsankong (via Canton), 5 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 25

Closing Times by Air

Airmail for Shanghai, (Reg.) 5 p.m. 24/5, (Ord.) 8 a.m. 25/5.

Airmail for Swatow and Amoy, (Reg.) 8.30 a.m., (Ord.) 5 p.m.

Airmail for Okinawa and Japan, (Reg.) 9.30 a.m., (Ord.) 10 a.m.

Airmail for Manila, (Reg.) Noon, (Ord.) 12.30 p.m.

Airmail for Shanghai and Tientsin: Airmail for Swatow, (Reg.) 3 p.m., (Ord.) 5.30 p.m.

Airmail for Amoy and Taipei: Airmail for Kowloon: Airmail for Holhow, (Reg.) 3 p.m., (Ord.) 5.30 p.m.

Airmail for Saigon and Japan, (Reg.) 4.30 p.m., (Ord.) 5 p.m.

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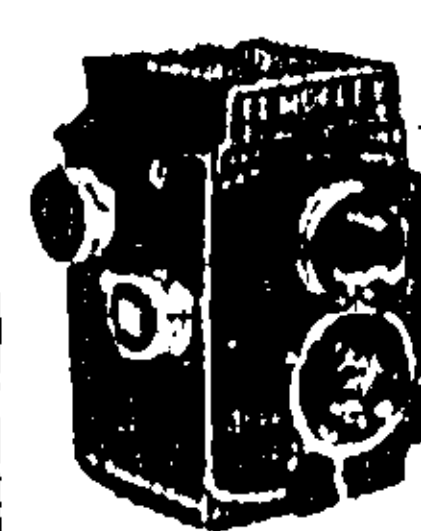
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COLONY'S LAWN LEAGUE SEASON

(By "SERVER")

The Hong Kong Lawn Tennis League season for 1949 officially begins this afternoon with a programme of six matches in the Men's "B" Division and three matches in the Ladies' "B" Division.

There will be seven Divisions this year as compared to only four last year. The newly introduced League events, Men's "C" Division, Ladies' "B" Division and Mixed Doubles "B" Division, have received enthusiastic support. As a result, there will be no less than 54 teams taking part in the current League as against 32 last season.

Prominent entries are those of the Chinese Recreation Club, who made a sweep in three of the four Divisions last year, and that of the Ladies' Recreation Club, who won the Ladies' League of the previous season. With the increasing popularity of the game in the Colony, the Champion teams will undoubtedly meet greater opposition this year. The chief threat to CRC's first division position will come from the newly joined South China team, which will include in their ranks such names as Ip Koon-hong, Szeto Bick, Roch Leung, Kwok Hing-cheung, T. T. Chen Lee Boon-sing. The Tai Hang Club has, however, recruited the services of George Chiu, current year's Colony Single quarter-finalist and with the Tsui brothers, Eric Lee, Choy Tin-fook, Luk Ding-cheung, and Wong Shu Wing to make the rest of the team. It is still confident of holding its own against all challenges.

Clubs which have dropped from this Division are Kowloon Tong, CRC "B", KCC "B", IRC and LRC.

A commendable attitude was taken by Hong Kong University, who have now entered a team in the first Division. They have a team, which has all the makings of a champion combination, and the Silver Racket of the Association may yet go to them, if not this year, then in two or three years' time. Playing for them are the three Lo brothers, Norman, Thomas and Donald, T. T. Lam (a former Malaysian state champion), and S. F. Lam and T. H. Ip, two promising young players.

Second Division
The Second Division has attracted 14 entries and although the CRC are favourites to retain the title, the apple-cake may likely be upset by IRC, CCR, or one of the two Kowloon Tong teams.

One of these strong challenges comes today when their "A" team meets Craigengower at the Happy Valley Club. Taking no chances the Chinese team is putting up its strongest side available and will be composed of Au Kam-moon and Pang O-lam, Marsland Ma and Choy Tin-wah, and Choy Ping-fan and Luk Ding-cheung.

The Craigengower team has been greatly strengthened by the inclusion of R. O. Baker and Molan Chan, who will probably put up a very close fight with a line-up composed of L. F. Souza and D. J. Leonard, R. O. Baker and Robert Tay, and Molan Chan and H. T. Lui.

Both the Indian Recreation Club and Kowloon Tong, who have dropped from the first Division, will have their last Division matches today. The players available for this section. Should they draw their full resources from these sources, both of them should have two of the strongest sides in the Division.

In the Mixed Doubles first division, no strong competitors on the horizon. The Ladies' Recreation Club with a monopoly of most of the best lady players may offer the greatest resistance, if strong men-partners are available to them. South China is the other team which may do the possible but improbable.

Ladies' Division
Ladies' Recreation Club will likely have a clear field in the Senior Ladies' Division. Although they will be without the services of some of their last year's stalwarts as Miss D. Kent, the Colony Ladies' triple champion, and Mrs. Dew, Mrs. Elliot and Mrs. Standford, their teams of Mrs. Cooper, Mrs. Slagter, Mrs. Strohbach, Mrs. Alexander, Mrs. Getz and Mrs. Tammworth is a sufficiently dynamic one.

The other three newly introduced Divisions will see a number of new faces, and the competition should be an open one.

"B" DIVISION (MEN)
SCAA v Kowloon Tong "Blue"
CRC "B" v Kowloon Tong "White"
KCC v RAK
IRC v HRC
IRC v RAK
CCC v CRC "A"

"B" DIVISION (LADIES)
USRC v KCC
RCRC v CRC
LRC v CCC

Some of the teams chosen for the week's League games are:

CHRAINGOWER
"B" Division (Ladies): Mrs. L. Souza and Mrs. N. Castro, Mrs. B. Chiu and Mrs. R. Rumbach, Mrs. V. Souza and Mrs. L. Fowler.
"B" Division (Men): L. F. Souza and D. J. Leonard, Molan Chan and H. T. Lui, R. O. Baker and Robert Tay.
"C" Division (Men): P. C. Yu and H. K. Chen, Y. P. Choy and H. M. Woo, D. W. Choy and Hui King-seng.

KOWLOON TONG RECREATION CLUB
"A" Division (Ladies): Mrs. L. F. Souza and Mrs. L. Fowler, Mrs. L. F. Souza and Mrs. L. Fowler, Mrs. L. F. Souza and Mrs. L. Fowler.
"A" Division (Men): Mrs. L. F. Souza and Mrs. L. Fowler, Mrs. L. F. Souza and Mrs. L. Fowler, Mrs. L. F. Souza and Mrs. L. Fowler.

"B" DIVISION (LADIES)
Mrs. T. F. Choy and Mrs. M. Mok Wankin, Mrs. Chow Kwok-sing and Mrs. P. Kotewall, Mrs. Hui Fung-yung and Mrs. L. F. Souza.
"B" Division "A" team (Men): Au Kam-moon and F. O. Lam, Marsland Ma and Choy Tin-wah, Choy Ping-fan and Luk Ding-cheung.
"B" Division "B" team (Men): Mok Ma and Wu Shun-ah, Wong Sukli and Tung Chung-ah, Chan Fook-sai and Kwok Ping-cheung.

TENNIS TEAMS
The following have been selected to represent the Indian Recreation Club in the "B" and "C" Divisions of the Lawn Tennis League: "B" Team against Club de Rocio tomorrow at home: Osman Rumbach and H. Rumbach, A. R. Kitchell and I. M. Omar, K. M. Rumbach.
"C" Team against U.S.R.C. on Wednesday (away): S. E. M. Bux and M. Mohamed, A. J. Hussain and B. M. Omar, S. M. Rumbach and F. A. Curroem.

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TENNIS OPENS

HK "U" To Send Teams To Malaya

The Hong Kong University is preparing to send athletic teams to Malaya to take part in Inter-Varsity Sports Athletic Competitions. Hong Kong University's teams will include cricket, tennis, badminton, and swimming combinations to compete against the King Edward VII College of Medicine, the Raffles College and combined Malayan teams.

Classification List Changes

The following are the alterations to the Classification List: To Class 1 (Ponies of previous seasons): Bootsie, Seafire and The Chief.

To Class 2 (Ponies of previous seasons): Big Shot, Golden Dragon and Thunderbolt.

To Class 3 (Ponies of previous seasons): Belle Fontaine, Empress of Peace and Good Ship.

To Class 4 (Ponies of previous seasons): Atomic Power and Popularity.

To Class 5 (Ponies of previous seasons): Golden Wheel.

To Class 6 (Ponies of previous seasons): Care Free, Hot Pollard and Priority.

To Class 6 (Ponies of previous seasons): Oldshoes and Penforce.

SPANIARD WINS AUTO RACE

Madrid, May 22. Juan Kutz of Spain today won the fifth International Auto race for the Grand Prix of Marcella here. The race included 60 laps of a 1,820-metre circuit. The winner defeated George Houel of Belgium and Mariano Checa of Spain.

Sixteen auto-racers participated but only nine finished. Among these were George, Bador and Teddings of Britain. Kutz used a Guzzi car.—United Press.

ARGENTINE RACING KING

Marselles, May 23. Juan Fangio, Argentine racing king, blazed to victory in the Grand Prix of Marcella here. Fangio's winning tyres kept him in the lead all the way on the grid of 132 kilometres.

Philippe Etancelin of France was second. Fangio's time was 1 hour 18 minutes 33 seconds.—Associated Press.

Cairo, May 22. Egypt, by winning all their six matches, gained the European basketball championships, which ended here tonight.

France were second with five victories and Greece third with four wins.—Reuters.

WEMBLEY TENNIS TOURNAMENT

London, May 22.

While the world's top lawn tennis players prepare for their Blue Riband event at Wimbledon, the cream of the professionals, including four former Wimbledon champions, are tuning up for the big money tournament at Wembley starting on May 30.

This tournament, the most ambitious to be staged in Britain, is advertised as being for the world's indoor professional championship. With leading players from 10 nations competing, the winner will well merit the world title tag.

The Wembley authorities are putting more than £2,000 in prize money with a £500 purse for the singles champion. Eighteen top flight players have entered for the singles, spearheaded by the touring "circus" of Jack Kramer and Bobby Riggs (United States), Dinny Pails (Australia), and Fanchon Segura (Zensador).

Donald Budge is coming from the United States, while Europe is sending a strong contingent consisting of the Swede, Kalle Schröder, Estaban Guineiro, C. Spahn, the Italian, Francesco Bonagomi, Roger Simon of Belgium, Johannes Da Bos of Holland, the Swiss quartette, W. Herthum, Maurice Wiland, Hans Pfaff and Jean Bruchbuhl, and the Egyptians, Mohamed Ali Mubarek and El Fol.

Two British professionals, D. Boquet and J. Pierce, have also entered. Kramer and Riggs have been seeded to meet each other in the final. Other seeded players are Budge, Segura, Pails, Mubarek, Romanoff and Werthmuller.

The "circus" quartette and Budge, with the advantage of recent concentrated match practice, should dominate the tournament as the majority of the others are essentially coaching professionals who have had little opportunity for international competitive play. "It will be interesting to see how the 'next book boys' fare, against their better known 'pay for play' colleagues."—Reuters.

Darts Winners



The Dockyard Chargemen's Mess team, winners of the San Miguel Brewery Darts League.

Cincinnati Reds Beat Dodgers

New York, May 22.

Lefty Ken Raffensberger had the door to fame slammed in his face once again today when he pitched his third one hitter in two seasons for Cincinnati Reds, blanking Dodgers 2-0 in the second game of a double header.

There was considerable consolation in the narrow miss, however, for the Cincinnati victory after, Dodgers won the opener 3-0 and ended a string of 19 straight Brooklyn victories.

Last season Raffensberger, 31-year-old veteran, pitched two one-hitter ball games against Cardinals, but today's effort was the best of his long career.

There was not a semblance of a hit and only two batters had reached first base when Gil Hodges broke the spell with a single as the first batter in the eighth inning.

Boston Braves won a first place tie in the National League as ace Johnny Sain pitched them to a 7-2 victory over Chicago Cubs for his fourth victory. Relief pitcher Carl Mielke hit a Cub homer for the only earned run off Sain.

Sizzling Athletics mistreated the skidding Cleveland Indians, defeating them 5-4 and 7-2 at Philadelphia to strengthen their hold on second place in the American League. Pete Suder's double in the eighth put over the deciding run in the opener. In the second game Philadelphia got off to a 4-0 lead in the first inning and coasted in. The game was cut to seven innings because of Sunday curfew.

Kellner, chalking up his No. 5 and Lou Brissie his No. 4 victory, Ferris ran and Eddie Joost hit Philadelphia homers while Mickey Vernon and Larry Doby homered for Cleveland.

Rallying late, Chicago White Sox defeated Senators at Washington. Gordon Goldsberry drove in two runs with a single in the eighth after Walt Masterman hit a 2-0 shut-out cooking. White Sox put over four more in the ninth on two walks, a single by Floyd Baker and relief pitcher Clyde Shoun, and Dave Philley's double.

Philadelphia Athletics (7 innings) 7 3 1
Indians 2 3 5
Athletics: p. Kellner; c. Guerra, Rosar.
Cleveland Indians 2 3 5
(nightcap)
Philadelphia Athletics 7 3 1
Indians: p. Garcia, Bearden, Tresh.
Athletics: p. Brissie; c. Guerra.

National League
Boston Braves 7 12 1
Chicago Cubs 2 9 2
Braves: p. Sain; c. Masi.
Cubs: p. Schmitz; Michael; c. McCullough.
New York Giants 2 12 0
St. Louis Cardinals 3 6 0
Giants: p. Hartung, Koslo; c. Cooper.
Cardinals: p. Brazle, Staley; c. Garagiola.
New York Giants 13 13 0
(nightcap)
St. Louis Cardinals 4 16 3
Giants: p. Jansen; c. Cooper.
Cardinals: p. Wilks, Brazle, Johnson, Yochim; c. Garagiola.
Philadelphia Phillies 6 11 1
Pittsburgh Pirates 5 13 2
Phillies: p. Roberts, Konstanty; c. Lopato.
Pirates: p. Sewell, Lombardi, Riddle; c. Fitzgerald.
Brooklyn Dodgers 3 7 0
Cincinnati Reds 0 5 0
Dodgers: p. Newcombe; c. Campanella.
Reds: p. Erazut, Gumbert; c. Howell.
Brooklyn Dodgers 0 1 2
(nightcap)
Cincinnati Reds 2 4 0
Dodgers: p. Hatten; c. Edwards, Campanella.
Reds: p. Raffensberger; c. Mueller.

League Standings
Today's Major League baseball standings (including Sunday's games):

AMERICAN LEAGUE
New York 19 10 655
Philadelphia 19 14 570
Detroit 16 15 510
Chicago 16 15 516
Washington 17 10 515
Boston Red Sox 14 14 500
Cleveland 11 16 423
St. Louis 9 22 380

NATIONAL LEAGUE
Boston 19 12 613
Brooklyn 17 15 531
Cincinnati 16 15 510
Philadelphia 15 15 500
Pittsburgh 14 18 428
New York 14 18 430
St. Louis 12 17 414
Chicago 10 19 357

United Press.

DARTS WINNERS GET PRIZES

(By "DOUBLE NINE")

Another Darts season has now passed and the winners emerge. Dockyard Chargemen's Mess get the cup and small replicas. WOs & Sergeants Mess, 25th RA small replicas whilst Mr. Nesbitt of AC Mess, Austin Road, takes a special prize for his highest league score of 150.

Congratulations to you, and all who participated in the league. There has been some good darts and I am sure the convivial Friday evenings have been enjoyed by all.

The presentation of prizes will take place in the Dockyard Chargemen's Mess on Friday evening, May 27 at 5 p.m. Invitations are being sent to all concerned. I take this opportunity of thanking the San Miguel Brewery Co. Hong Kong, for their co-operation in sponsoring the league and contributing the magnificent prizes.

I hope to see a bigger number of entries in the league for next season. It will then be possible to run it in two sections and enable the season to be of a shorter duration. Cheerio all you Dart Blokes, till next season.

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Lunch Score:
M. C. C. First Innings
Edrich, c. Rabone, b. Cave 57
Robertson, St. Mooney, b. Burt 29
Simpson, b. Burt 51
Crompton, c. Hadlee, b. Cave 63
Carr, s and b Burt 38
Watkins, b. Burt 68
Mann, b. Burt 4
Broderick, c. Reid, b. Cresswell 29
Bailey, b. Cave 17
Laker, not out 10
Griffith, c. Sutcliffe, b. Scott 8
Extras 12
Total 379

Wickets fell at 1/51, 2/120, 3/175, 4/214, 5/273, 6/273, 7/334, 8/352 and 9/302.

Bowling Analysis

Cave 38 10 77 3
Cresswell 52 15 137 1
Reid 5 1 1 0
Burt 59 527 0 8
Rabone 15 1 44 0

Extras (for two wks.) 29

—Reuters.

Two Of Britain's Golf Trophies Home

London, May 22.

Two of Britain's championship golf trophies are back in their homeland after a year's sojourn in the United States.

By this time next week they may be wrapped up in their cases ready for another trip across the Atlantic, for the Amateur and Women's Championships will then be over and there are powerful American challenges for both titles.

At the same time there are several other parts of the world with representatives making a bid for the honours and whoever the new holders are at the end of the coming week it is certain that there will be some striking battles over the 18 holes of the several earlier rounds before the championships are won.

For the first time in history the British Amateur Championship is taking place on Irish soil—at Portmarnock. The women, meanwhile, will be battling in Wales on the Royal St. David's course at Harlech.

Quantity as well as quality is represented in the American challenge for the amateur honours with the holder, Frank Stranahan, and the 1947 champion, Willie Turnesa, heading the onslaught.

There are nearly a score of other Americans but the cream of British and Irish amateur golf will be there while such other parts of the world as India, Nairobi, Malaya, France, Singapore, and South Africa have competitors all of whom have made the long journey to Ireland with the hope of surviving a few rounds even if they are not optimistic enough to expect success.

History has proved that in the 18 hole matches the unexpected can happen so that surprises may be expected in the early rounds. As the weaker players are eliminated the championship will progress to that stage when every match is a thriller and those fortunate enough to be at Portmarnock during the week are assured of a golfing feast.

The same can apply at Harlech. Here the American challenge is not numerous but it is powerful. Three players have crossed the Atlantic with the hope of succeeding America last year after Mrs. Zakarias had been successful 12 months earlier.

Grace Lenzy, holder of the American title as well as the Canadian, must be regarded as No. 1 danger, but Peggy Kirk and Ruth Woodward have not made the trip without some optimism. Nevertheless, Britain is ready to meet this challenge both at Harlech and Portmarnock. What Miss Louise Suggs, who has been made to professional golf have been resisted by the home professionals and in this year of Walker and Ryder Cup matches it will be a great tonic. If the amateur and women's title can be wrested from America's grip during the coming week.—Reuters.

England's 3-1 Win Over France

Paris, May 22.

England wound up their strenuous five match Continental tour with a 3-1 victory over France at the Colombes Stadium today after a hectic battle fought out at a tremendous pace from start to finish.

There was little between the teams and the French did not deserve the booting they got as the final whistle sounded. True, their forwards failed in front of the goal, but that was the only way in which they were in the least inferior to their English rivals.

Johnny Morris, Derby County inside right, who played brilliantly, got two of the England goals and Billy Wright, captain of the side, scored the other.

There was a dramatic opening to the game, watched by over 60,000 spectators, the French getting a "gift" goal through their left winger, George Morell, after only 33 seconds play.

England, however, were leading by two goals to one at the interval.—Reuters.

MCC All Out For 379 At Lords

London, May 23.

The MCC were all out for 379 shortly after resuming their match against the New Zealanders at Lords today and by lunch time, the tourists had scored 29 runs for the loss of two wickets.

Watkins and Broderick added 23 to the overnight score before Broderick became the seventh man out when caught off Cresswell at 334, after scoring 29. Watkins completed his 50 in one hundred minutes but was bowled for the top score of 69 in trying a big hit. He hit six fours during his innings of two hours and 10 minutes.

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Lawn Bowls Entries End

The entries for the Colony Lawn Bowls Championships closed yesterday. Several Clubs have sent in their entries while others have not and Clubs convenors are reminded that they must send in their entries today.

This year's entries will include the Open Triples championship. Three players will form a combination and each player will play with three wickets. The game will be decided on 18 heads and not 21 heads.

It is expected that the competition will be keener than ever. The defending champions in last year's tournaments have a combination again. J. A. da Luz, who won the singles crown last year, has entered and will be provided with sterner opposition, especially from such past champions as his brother, R. F. da Luz, U. M. Omar, B. W. Bradbury, J. N. Rakusen, A. E. Coates and J. S. Madar, J. E. Noronha and A. M. Sousa.

The holders of the Pairs championship, W. Hong Sing and A. M. Omar, have entered again, while C. Rosa Ferreira and J. V. Albino (runners-up) will provide strong opposition.

Other formidable pairs entered are B. P. Marques and A. M. Sousa, K. M. Omar, and U. M. Omar, J. Fraser and A. J. Hall, L. A. Collyer and Len Sykes, J. Bradley and J. S. Landolt, J. A. da Luz and R. F. da Luz and A. E. Coates and B. W. Bradbury.

Several strong combinations have entered for the Open Rinks championship. A. J. Kow, W. Hong Sing, T. A. Madar and C. S. Rossetet (skip) from KCC are a tough combination while a strong rink from the KBCG composed of E. A. Atkins, G. E. Thompson, A. J. Hall and L. Sykes (skip) will provide stern opposition.

The defending champion rink, composed of I. M. Omar, K. M. Omar, A. M. Omar and U. M. Omar (skip), have entered again.

Carter Wins At Fanling

The winner of the Stableford Golf competition, held during the week-end at Fanling, was G. D. Carter with a score of 58 points.

Runners-up were D. S. Robb and W. H. Paterson with 57 each. It is proposed to have a Bogey competition next Sunday at Fanling for which there will be a prize.

There will not be entrance fees but an optional pool. All intending competitors must be off by noon.

WINS AT GOLF
Philadelphia, May 22.

Joe Kirkwood, Jr. won the sixth annual Inquirer Invitational golf tournament on Sunday. He had a 270 total to beat Johnny Palmer by four strokes. The defending champion, Bobby Locke, was third, one stroke behind Palmer.—Associated Press.

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